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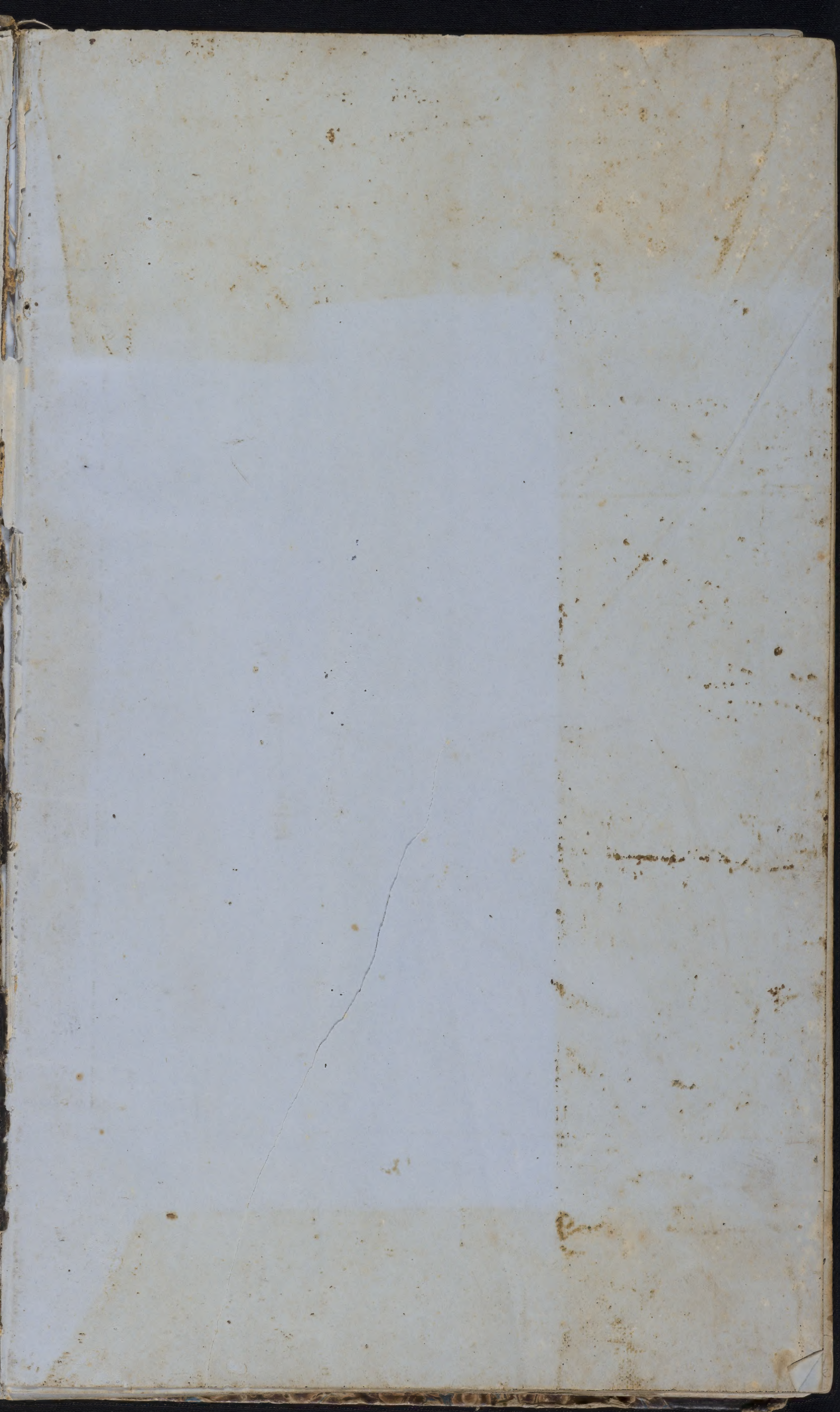
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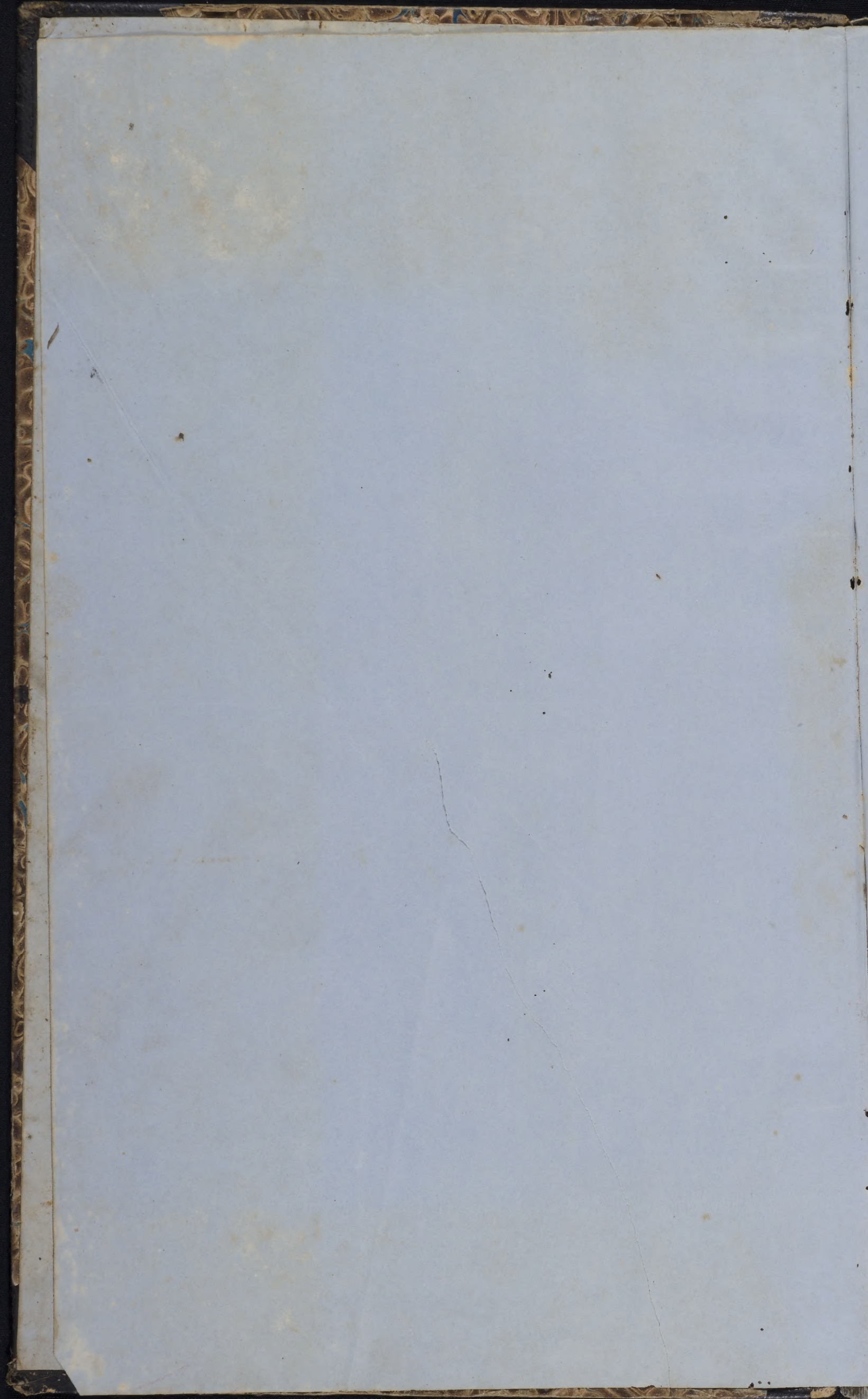
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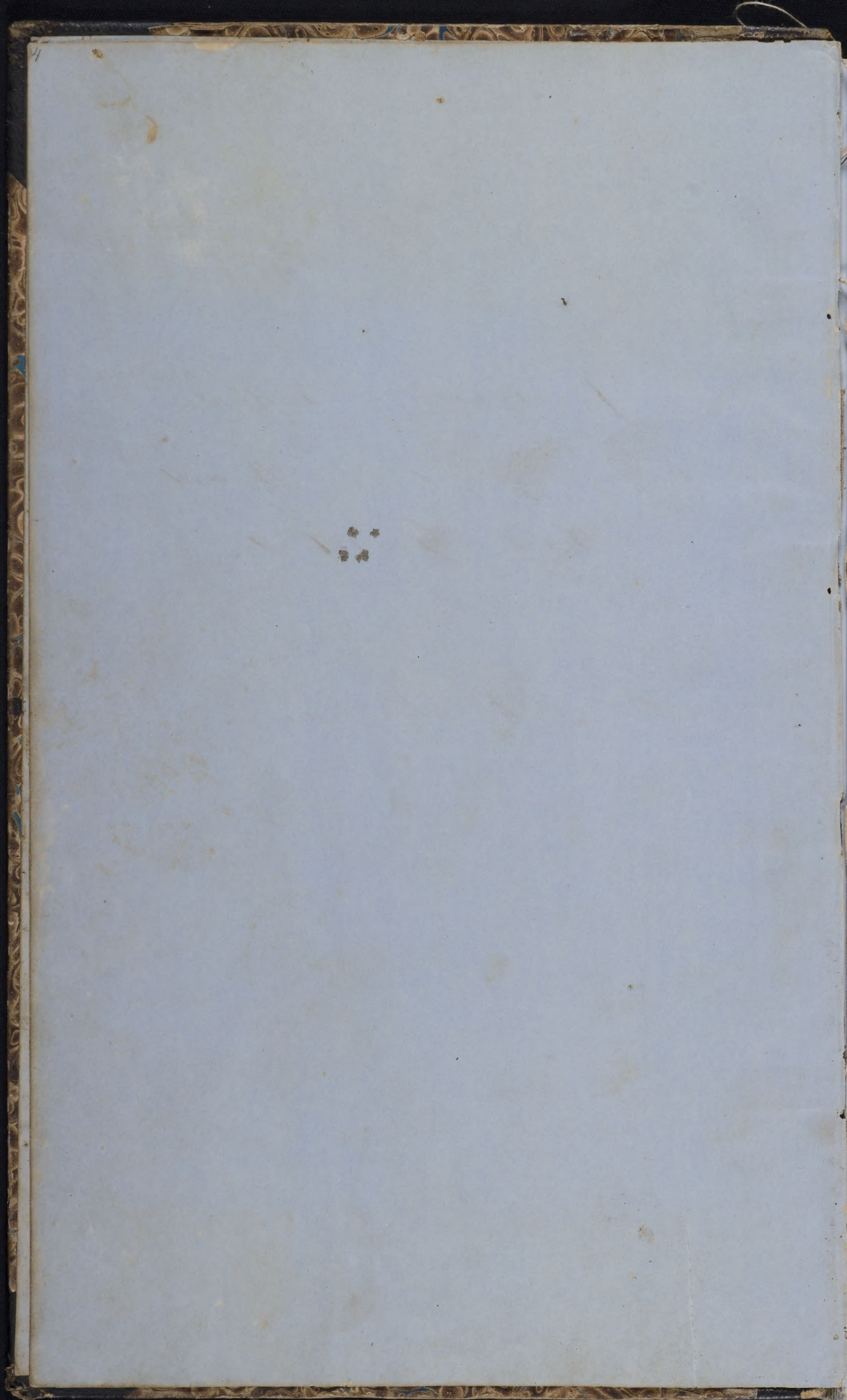
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Journal of a Whaling
Voyage kept on Board,
Bark. Gratitude
By.

Lewis W. Williams,



October 6th 1851.

Sept 28th all hands below except one Boats Crew. Early next morning we went to work getting our cutting falls rove and commenced to cut in at 8 o'clock at night the 20th we had one whale in except his Case. Next morning it commenced to blow hard and the whale had got round on the weather bow at length we got him alongside and commenced to cut in but the ship pitched so that the Chain that held the Case alongside parted and away went that. After tearing out the hooks several times we sent down the tackle and tried to cut across deck but could not do it and after tearing out two or three times give it up and lashed down to ride the gale out but on the we were obliged to cut him adrift after parting our Blake Chain. On the we commenced to try out and finished on the 26th he having turned up 100 bbls of oil being a very large whale. the two if we had saved them in good order would have made over 225 bbls of oil. I will write a description cutting in a Whale when I get time it is now my ^{middle} watch on deck. We raised two Islands this Morning and of them is Flores we have had a Calm for two or three days. yesterday we lowered for Black Fish and got fast but lost him the Mate Fastened. we shall be in Fayal in morning I expect where we shall send our oil home so ends this day.

Sept 28th 1851

Oct 3

Preserved from him
Black Fish

Oct 6th

Oct 1st 1851 13 bbls

We are going off say on Fayal. Yesterday the 5th we sent our oil home it was according to my Gauge 25 bbls 2 1/2 gallons. Gals. the Shore people made it only 24 1/2 gals. Gals. I earned and so much because just as we were beating up to Fayal being on ^{West} North side we raised a school of sperm Whale Oct 6th and lowered down the three Starboard Boats and the Mate fastened and we struck another in a few minutes after the two only ^{made} about 25 bbls of oil. We took

Oct 6

October 5th 1838.

them alongside and cut them in the second
Mate chased the school off to the Leeward but
did not get fast. we took in sail and laid
there all night in the Morning we ran of and run
all day and part of the next when we luffed too
and commenced beating up to the land. We
finished beating on the 3rd and same day we spoke
the Ship Hunters of Boston from Rangoon
to Falmouth Eng. I sent letters home from
here and did go ashore but three of our men run
for it and I did not have much time to
see what kind of a place it is but it looks
well and the streets are well paved and some of
the buildings are quite respectable edifices. As
soon as you land there is a guard stands ready
to search you which they do and thoroughly too
for fear you should smuggle some Tobacco or Swag
on which there is a very high duty. The harbor
is nothing but a small bay sheltered from all but
S.E. winds which often drive ships from their
anchorage and causes great damage. There is a high
stone wall built all round the Bay to protect the
Town from the Sea, there is a landing place
with stone steps to the waters edge. The Island is one
perfect garden and looks beautiful from the Ship with
its fields all laid out in (mostly) ~~rows~~ with here
and there a large white building and every by path
showing plain. We are now waiting to get our runaways.
We have shipped six men two Americans and four
Portuguese and one Boatstewer in the place of Chadwin
who we discharged sick with the Fever and Ague.
more in my next.

Oct 8th To day the mate came of with two of our runaways
the other was claimed as a deserter from the English Vary and
was given up to them. ^{The Mate} put the Irons on the two we
caught and put them in the Musher room on board and ^{the} Mate

Oct 15th 1838 12 bells

B.B.

Oct 17th 1838
Fever and Ague.

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October 17th 1858

Oct. 8th 8^{PM} We ~~at~~ run alongside of the old Bark Zone and sitting on the rail was Betsy Baker I hailed him and he asked if that was I. he was just as lazy looking as ever. she has 40 bbls of Apples arrived yesterday. About sundown we drifted close in to the shore of Pico and had to lower three boats and tow her of shore we are now bound for St. Michaels believe to get Potatoes. The Old Man is getting better and will soon be round. I cut my last Cake the other day.

Oct 14th 11^{PM} We are now bound off I know not where we arrived here at St. Michaels yesterday the 10th and this morning the Mate went ashore after waiting about half an hour the health officer appeared and we were obliged to go off to the ship and get our Health Bill. we had pulled about 12 miles to come ashore and it did not suit us very well but we had to go we returned and were allowed to land and the Mate bought 48 bu of Potatoes which were brought off by the Portuguese. We are now steering off before the wind and are quit of the Land I hope for Pam tired of pulling ashore and back to the ship. The Old man talked to our Runaways like a Father and let them go Forward to their duty and so ends my days work with 8 hours undisturbed to night and a basket of oranges to eat.

Oct. 25th We are two months out to day and I thought I must write a few lines just to take the curse of we have not had anything of any account to occur lately excepting our daily routine of work and sleep. We are now very near the Latitude of 23rd and are expecting to get the trades

Oct. 11 1858

St. Michaels

October 25th 1858

Oct. 25th And then we shall get rid of the calms and variables that have bothered us for a week. One sail in sight steering the same as we are. Saw a Steamer yesterday steering to the N. and Westward. It is my watch below and as I have 8 hours on deck to night and have an old pair breeches to mend I think I will stop for the present.

Oct. 27th We took the Trade winds have come at last we have had them 24 hours. There was one sail in sight this morning steering to the Northward. Night before last a Portuguese and one of the men ^{called Big Jack} got into a fight Jack having got on from belaying pin stood by as the Portuguese came on deck and undertook to hit him with it but instead got a crack alongside the jaw with a stick that started the Claret. They then clinched and the Mate run forward and parted them and told Jack to go below but he would not and gave the Mate some Lip and so he put him in Prison till morning. When the Old Man after giving them a good lecture seized them in the rigging and gave Jack 9 cuts on the Bare Back with a cat with 4 tails when he sent him to his duty. He did not flog the Portuguese because he did not understand English and did not know that it was against the rules to fight. This was the second. Keef they had had though the Old Man knew nothing about it, that is Sea Justice for you.

Oct 29 This Morning at 12 past 2 we raised Land it was plain in sight at daylight the Old Man called it Boa Vista one of the Cape Verde. Saw a sail steering West out of sight raised another steering the same plenty of Skippacks around the Mate struck one with the Grain And so Ends,

October 3rd 1838

Oct 3rd We have had a fine breeze all day, it begins to grow squally however and I suppose we will run out of the Trades in three or four days about 3 o'clock this Afternoon they raised Whales and called all hands and put the Line in the Boats but they proved to be Humpbacks and so we did not lower as it is no use to strike them as they run very bad and then sink after you have killed them. Yesterday morning we were right abreast of an Island called St. James believe and another one on our Starboard Beam there is nothing more. We caught a Ship Jack this Afternoon and had him cooked for supper. Eight hours on deck to to night and to bed.

Nov 5th To day we have had a fine breeze and are sliding along in good style as good as the old Gra Di Lude is capable of doing on the wind. We crossed the Line on the 5th in the morning we did not see old Neptune however so I think he must have been asleep from too much work, as we were in our sight of six or seven sail on the 6th and 7th. One of them we thought to be a Whaler as we beat her sailing and she did not seem to be in any hurry. We see three or four ships almost every day some going one way and some another. It is just after supper and while I was writing this Mr. Carter came down to get a drink of Water and capsize'd my Ink all over the Table. I don't know anything more to write tonight I felt the most homesick yesterday when I was at the Mast head that ever I did in my life I don't know how nor why it was but it was so. On the 5th Patched up the forward shroud & starboard side our stizen rigging I don't know what it will do before the Voyage ends and so End

November 17th 1851

Nov 17. A very pleasant day has just passed although yesterday was very squally and plenty of rain. Saw a large ship bound North yesterday nothing in sight today though we saw a later Spruce this morning. We have at length got to the south side of the Sun and it causes a little discussion among our new sailors who are just beginning to find out that they did not know and had not seen very thing that is in this little world of ours. So Good Night as I must Turn in.

Nov 18th. Sailed in sight early this morning consisting of the small island of Simdail and three small rocks about ten miles from the main island it lies in 20° 31' N. and 21° 16' W. It is nothing but a mass of rock I should think it looks rough enough to be rather ugly to run on to in the night. We passed within about 4 or 5 miles of the rocks but did not get any nearer. One said in sight staring the same as we are. While I was in the Mast Head this forenoon we passed within 1/2 a mile of small empty coast some ship had thrown overboard. Saw a break just at night but it was of no account. I must close as it is now eight hours out and I must wash out my clothes & have just finished some pie and my knives are rolled up all ready. It is a beautiful moonlight night and a regular lead's breeze.

Nov 20th. As today is Thanksgiving and we are three months out to day I thought I would write a few lines; though there has not been anything of much account excepting our daily routine of duties. We have seen one or more sail every day for the past week but today there has not been anything in sight.

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December 2nd 1831

As for myself I had the morning watch and was at work copying some ^{from daylight} signs till 4 o'clock when I got breakfast and after a little fussing in my boat I read a little in Thacker's history and slept till 12 o'clock when I took my dinner comprising Ruff, Potatoes and Beef, and then went to the glass. Fleet and stood two hours, and thought of the good dinners that the folks at home were having but that did not do me much good as far as I was concerned though it made me feel good to think of the good old Christmas when I ate Thanksgiving dinners. I did not know I am writing and will soon be turned in and asleep so ends Thanksgiving with me in Lat 30° South and Long. don't know what. We saw the 1st Goney today and also another. Before they looked kind a natural it seemed like old times to see them again.

Dec, 1st We have not made a great deal of progress for the past week as it has been light weather and what wind we have had has been right in our teeth but what little we have at the present time is fair. We are in hopes of seeing some whales one of these days though by the way we had two Fin Backs come under our Stern just at supper time. One sail in sight. Our days are somewhat longer than at home the sun rises at half past 4 and sets after 7 and we are only in 33° South. I am hard up for something to write so I guess I will turn in; that is the end of most of my days work I believe.

Dec, 6th We are running before the wind with all sail out. Though yesterday it blew a Gale. On Friday morning it commenced with a light breeze from the N. and it kept blowing on till Saturday when it blew quite a strong breeze. We saw plenty of Fin Backs and just after dinner I raised some jump

December 12th 1851.

A species of Grampus was at first thought we had a Right Whale in sight a breaching. On Sunday afternoon the Main Top-sail was parted and the yard came down by the run but did no damage we then jibed the Main Top-sail and ran before it with Whole Top-sails and Fore-sail. The Boats all on the Upper Course, this had the Middle Tackle on deck and at about 2 o'clock this morning the Carpenter sitting on the Decky Hatch being out took three H. Wall ran into the Mast and Colse a board of us right ahead was a Lark in saying to unlase reefed Main Top-sail we had just time to put the wheel to Starboard and run across his head about our length clear, if we had run in to him we should have undoubtedly both sunk as we were going about 11 knots. The Man on the Lookout never saw the ship till we were right ahead of her when he sang out Saily but it was too late then. Two more sails in sight both Starving of to the Eastward saw some Fish Boats & Good weather now Shining & by 4. though the sea is rolling pretty heavy And so ends This day though it came near ending before it began.

Dec 12

Not having seen anything for two or three days we were very unceremoniously routed out this morning at 3 o'clock to clear away the Boat and down the three Starboard Boats a bit pulled to windward about 4 miles in a very rough sea but did not see the Whales after we lowered. After being down some three hours we came aboard and squared our yards again I got a pair of wit that as did all most all in the Boats. I never saw the whales at all; they were two large Spinn Whales. It is Sunday and very good weather though it looks as though it might blow on before morning we are getting along slowly as the old bark is not a very good sailor. Time from about 11 am.

Latitude 39.53 N Longitude 74.2 E at 4 o'clock.

December 16th 1851.

Dec 16th This day commenced with a good breeze from the S.E. with squalls of rain. Tacked in. Main S. G. all day at half past three. Coasted it again at half past four while they were sheeting it home. Big Jack struck one of the men and an another named Ben telling him he should not do so knocked him down twice when one of the Boatswains and 4th hooked to him and the Mr. Cushman. separated them and Jack and he had a regular growl and the Mate came on deck and sent Jack forward. I was asleep but the noise woke me up and kept me awake for an hour or more. After Breakfast the Old Man called the belligerent parties aft and after a long talk seized Jack in the rigging and sent the others forward, he kept Jack seized up about an a short time and then let him off on promise of good behavior I believe. As I was at Masthead at the time I can't speak for certain. At noon right aft. At 2 o'clock raised a school of whales and called them Sperm Whales and lowered for them at 4 o'clock All 4 boats after being down about an hour we found them to be grampids and got aboard the ship at 6 o'clock, and squared away, the wind on the Starboard quarter from the N.W. good Breeze and quite a heavy sea running and thus ends this day my watch midich 8 hours to night

Dec 20th This morning we were running before the wind Strong S.E. by E. with whole topsails but it has moderated now and we have all sail out though the Sea has not gone down much and the ship is rolling as in fact she has done for the last three weeks' haul; for it has not been good weather for 24 hours at a time and the decks are long S.W. E. & continually wet either with rain or salt water. or very near. It is really quite a task to eat our meals as we have to watch the roll and hold on to dishes and yourself at the same time a proper one broke a plate today. Some Tin Dishes in sight.

December 24th 1838

Dec, 24

we have got a splendid day. The weather is fine & by E. it is a beautiful day. The sun shines bright though it is hazy and you can't see a great ways. While I was at the Masthead from Supper till 1 in the afternoon I raised Hemp-
 lock (but did not keep it a great) I was the first giving one of the men a sock and telling him not to keep it a great while and wrote it down through mistake. And waited till he turned I think when I rang out and the Old Man came up & kept I thought it was a right white and told him so. He took in the Thursday and when he came up we looked to and back about the Main Yard when we discovered what he was. The Monk held up an dock with his lucky shirt on. Every one was in great excitement but some cooled down. There was 6 or 8 of them all around us, very large ones. The 2 We took in the Topgallant Tails and Mainmast and stored it by 1 through the night. The wind held around 1 to 18 blowing a light breeze. There is great hope of seeing right Water soon.

Dec

Dec 25

This morning it was foggy but cleared off for about three hours. Plenty of Hemplocks round. At 12 M. we lowered right the Main and Main Topgallant, sailing and very thick. (Case had not yet set in) and we did not sail. There a part of night. By 4 o'clock we had at 6 PM. took in the Fore Topgallant and 18 blowing a pretty good gale. At length took in Foremast and are now lying by with Main Mast, Main Topgallant and Mizzen and Fore Topgallant. Days not thick and foggy.

Dec 30

It has been almost calm today but it has been foggy or hazy. We raised the land this forenoon at 11 AM, bearing about West from our Starboard beam at 12 M. were ship. Land about 3 miles off. Any quantities of Penguins round or Jack Manx ^{at the Mast} ^{from ship} that it is as near as I can spell it. Melacka Gony, 4 at day 17. At 10 AM.

Dec. 30. 1838. Desolation.

December 3rd 1838.

Dec 3rd

It is now 10 o'clock in the morning
of the 3rd of January and I am at the 11th.
I made a mistake yesterday in the day of the
month. This morning commenced with Light
along from the land W. Steady N.W. The Island
of Laysan on our Starboard Beam and Bow,
at 8 A.M. raised 1 Whale and about 100 Right
Whales about 4 P.M. and got 1 where by we
and found them to be 1100 lbs. each. Saw 100
in bait and saw 100 and left in our course.

At 12 M. raised Right Whale and the time
it took to be one got our dinner and dinner
in a short time the latest ship and the Mr. Martin
shot second boat the second whale and at
played loose boat but the whale milling board along
side of the Martin he fired a bomb lance into
him which set him sporting blood. Mr. Carter
caught him several times and good ones too.

At 4 P.M. took him alongside and commenced
to continue had him in and the watch set at
at 8 P.M. and being my watch below till 11 P.M.
was seen in the land of 1000. We are lying
here with close to reefed topsails steering
N.W. The second bears from it to N. We are about
20 miles from it I should judge. It has been a
beautiful day and promises fair to clear another.

I would to you good to see the flock of
Geese. Birds that were round this day.
We are in hopes of seeing and getting more (Whales)
not Geese. Tomorrow this is a little fellow he
will make about 4000 lbs. I think now will
see how good at guessing him. The whole like
first rate could not have acted better but some
of the boats crew had a notion that they were
little to wear him once, however we have him
and will see the what he will make and whether we will
get another. At 11 P.M. E. S. 11 P.M.

Saturday January 1st 1831
 App. towed quite a long time,
 Toward morning our whale about into the
 pieces and down in the blubber room. We
 cut away while in ballast then cut it up
 and put before at 5 AM, raised whale called
 the band. Lowered the Line Dots then Hoisted
 and toward the Harbored Port which pulled
 to windward and struck but after talking
 about four hour downed and came aboard, they
 told the second man in board that only about
 ten was far off for the 1st time. I came
 away near having a chance but did not
 get through the After business
 morning however better last time
 Come aboard and get breakfast at 9 AM
 At 12 AM close reefed the Main Top
 and put the Fore Top at 3 PM spoke the
 first Eliza Capt. Corbett, about 23
 tons, 60 ft long, 16 ft beam, 12 ft
 deep, took in four sail blowing strong
 the Eliza at 1 PM reported several
 ships to Westward. She is
 boiling a whale now.

Dr. 1st the 1st

Jan. 1st
D.B.

Jan. 1st 1831

Ship

Jan 3rd

Jan 3rd 1831

did not see the bones

Sunday
 Commenced boiling at 8 AM the
 weather has been bad for two days
 foggy and blowing hard
 double reefed Top on the Ship at 6 PM
 raised a dead whale toward the
 Harbored Port and to be him alongside
 and commenced to cut we finished
 cutting at 4 PM next morning.
 The Capt of the Eliza came aboard
 to see what we had got there
 were four in sight today one of them
 told us they must come of them
 run very near the whale. The
 second boat of the ship we lost the
 skinker.

Monday

Jan 3rd
 Blowing hard at 6 AM lowered a whale
 to the Luffen in ground and again at 8 AM
 finished boiling at 10 PM they have
 turned up about 10 tubs. The
 bone is not of much account it will
 not weigh over 20 pounds it was
 without exception the smallest
 had I ever seen. You should see
 just now of the quality of
 the whale.

Jan 3rd

Friday Jan. 1st 1834

Jan 1st

The sail in sight one to windward and one to leeward under double reefed Topsails and Fore sails under double reefed Main. The sun is shining bright and the weather looks fair. We started down our bit yesterday we had nearly finished when the Old Man got galled and were within 5 miles of the Grand Line of the Bealshires told him that the Tides bore 3 points W and 2 points in weather hour the weather of the wake we were under double reefed Main tops at the time. The Old Man came on deck and set Fore Tops Fore sail and Jib and every one in five minutes was singing out hurray up in the hold we are in a tight space he was badly galled and hollered loud enough to have started the Grand if that was possible. A squall took her and parted the Jib. Her tangle and carried away the jib boom in the Sheave hole for jib stay and to day the carpenter was making shales to fish it with. The Sun & it was the wind died away and the Sound was all clear of us. Only Alton and the Old Man got galled in the Tark, Our Whales Street down 94 lbs and 1/2 yds. a few Bbs

Monday

Jan 11th

Blowing pretty strong breeze the ship under whole Topsails and courses the sea very rough. At about 11 AM. raised sight 4 whales there had been five ships in the midland whaling 4 in sight. After dinner lowered 3 Starboard Boats (though by the way I was at the starboard and did not get any). And the third Boat struck after holding on for 2nd hours the boom broke it was his second iron and an old one he had but one in the other samion board and was pulling the Main sail when 2 whales came up alongside the ship we let our lower Starboard & Bow Boats and after masting them and others for 2 or three hours came on board & P. M. set to the 3rd double reefed Topsails and the ship when we was fair they double reefed the

From Boats Jan. 11. 1834.



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Sunday Jan 16th 1859.

Today I went to look for the Ship Seal Williams
of the London & whales; she had no other
heads in sight but fair for a good day
tomorrow. There were over 50 whales in sight
today and some large whales among them.

Sundays

Jan 16th

Blowing hard this morning
Towards noon it moderated somewhat and
set off as the boat came sail in sight. At 1 P.M.
at 2 P.M. raised two sail at 3 P.M. we were
right before them when the Old Man called Nelson
from the head, I told him that the Ship Williams
had a whale alongside, he was lying with Main Taps
cleared up and Stows Nigh close reefed, cutting to below
the other one has just commenced to boil. The Old
Man is real Wild. I don't begrudge them their job
for there is a very heavy swell and blowing hard again.
We have not had any kind of decent weather since
we have been here as a Dutchman would say,
a gale all the time and the rest part thick fog.
The latitude where we have seen ^{the} whales for we have
seen them everyday is 48. 0 Long. 16. E. or within a few
miles. I have been stamping some Whales and
Blakes down and made awful work at it I mean
to get a better stamp next time.

Tuesdays

Jan 17th

Early this morning it was a
good weather and we set mast heads for about
an hour on sail in sight. Last night I saw one a boiling
it commenced to blow again with squalls of rain
and at 11 o'clock squall the yards and I am now staying
S.E. by E. wind from the S. set about 10 furlongs and
Whale Tare Taper aged 4. in Tappall boat at 2 P.M.
At 3 P.M. set the Tappall and Lower Tappall. The
weather having moderated a good deal since noon.
We saw some Humpbacks and Blakes this
afternoon. Everyone were a smiling for we were

Wednesday, Jan 1st, 1839

Jan 1st

The day we have a strong breeze from N. blowing SE by E. Winded a rather short but the of the same direction and so cold. Did not get our head of Bore it must be a small one. At 3 P.M. even it is the same as without exception I have ever seen. We have some thick fogs. It looks rather squally to night with a prospect of rain. Our course is now E. by E.

Friday

Jan 2nd

We have a strong breeze from N. and all sail set that will drive this morning. Under full sail Broad and Water. The weather thick and you might with safety call it raining as it is a good strong South. At 2 P.M. there was a large school of Black fish alongside and kept there for at least 10 minutes though the ship was going at the rate of 4 knots an hour. Took in the forenoon at 3 P.M. Saw a large Porpoise and he too seemed to desire a race with us and was in sight for 1/2 an hour but eventually he would be wind raised and the school of Black fish just at hand.

Tuesday

Jan 3rd

Commenced with a strong breeze from N. blowing E. by E. We are apparently making to the Southward but owing to the variations the compass are really going to the N. West in some places it is said 14 points to the East of true North and in others it is as much to the West of it. At 3 P.M. blowing quite fresh we have just put in the Stunsails and the Main Toppail. A large wave has been cracked over our Stunsail beams and just as it came to repair damages. There is nothing very great importance but should take care of the crew of our Ship that to lay for the space and it is too much to tell. I am your Obedt Servt. J. B. 32. I. Young. H. E. I am with the rest to day.

Sunday Jan'y 6th 1838.

Went to sea for the 4th time. Looking for whales but had no success. The day was very dull. The wind was from the S.W. and we had to put on the sails. The day was again the 6th of the month. I had a very rather sick yesterday. A bit of the cold was in the air.

Monday

Feb 7th

Went off again. The wind from the S.W. and we had to put on the sails. The day was again the 6th of the month. I had a very rather sick yesterday. A bit of the cold was in the air.

Tuesday

Feb 8th

Went off again. The wind from the S.W. and we had to put on the sails. The day was again the 6th of the month. I had a very rather sick yesterday. A bit of the cold was in the air.

Jan 9th 1838

Feb. 11th

Friday February 11th 1859

This morning the wind hauled round to the N.E. and much of it. Breaking out for Water, and Shocks, Marked O.X. from 49. to 64. we got out 3 bundles, could not find the bubble marked 49 to 52. finished at 12 M.

This afternoon breezing on and at 3 P.M. reefed Topsails and furled. Jib, not much sea and clear weather.

The Mr. Carter came very near being crushed to death, this forenoon by the hold strap parting. At 6 P.M. cleared up the 16. Topsail to mend some rips in it. Saw a sun fish this morning. Course N.E.

Saturday

Feb. 12th

We had some pretty sharp squalls of wind and rain with a smart sprinkling of Thunder and Lightning through the night and day but is moderated so as to have whole Topsails set, our course N.E. We are now about Ten days sail from Hongkong and I hope it will be a short Ten days. Our Latitude is 41.28. Dan and the Cook are having a dispute about the Apostles and Patriarchs, how many and who they were course to night N.E. by N.

Sunday

Feb. 13th

The wind hauled round to the N.E. This morning braced up on the Port Tack, whole Topsails and mastsheads called down at 9 A.M. and it commenced to rain at 12 M. the Wind died away and ceased raining, at 2 P.M. it blowed hard from N. Home too, and it looks rather squally at present. I suppose that the good people at home (the boys and girls I mean) are overhauling their Valentines and commenting on the senders but I am not troubled with any such things out here. So I believe that our Log, yesterday was 161.30 E.

Friday February 15th 1837

Feb 15

Last evening at from 8 P.M.

at 11 P.M. the Moon was eclipsed it was total and we had a good view of it it being clear during the time. This morning the weather fine Wind from S.E. Steering N.E. by N. all sail out at 3 P.M. altered the course to N.E. we saw some sperm whale Porpoises today and some Dolphins at 1 P.M. Furl'd the Top Sails, and Reefed Top sails we are going to cruise here I suppose though no one knows as the Old Man don't consider he has anyone worthy of knowing what he is going to do Lat. 36.30 S Long. 166.12 E.

Saturday.

Feb 16

We have had head winds for four days now blowing most of the time a light Gale of wind we have now doubled reefed Top sails and Courses set heading S.E. Wind E.N.E. the course is I suppose about E.S.E. but don't know for certain. I expect there will be a sweet row when we do get into Port as all hands are laying back for it. I don't know about the Officers, but think they will have a row with the Old Man if there are any ships in Port. We have been breaking out to day for Beans, Bread, Meat, Meat &c. &c. I suppose we will make land tomorrow.

Sunday.

Feb 17

A light breeze, close hauled on the board took nothing in sight this morning. At 2 P.M. raised Land on the Starboard beam it is about 40 miles off, I suppose it is called, Three Kings being three large Peaks they are in sight of Mangani at 4 P.M. Land distant 35 miles; shut in now by clouds and not seen since. The weather looks rather windy and I think we will have rather too much wind before 48 hours.

Feb 24, 1837. The three Kings
are visible.

Feb 23

Saturday February 23rd 1839

The Land was in sight this morning for about fifteen minutes and then it shut in. It is a good strong breeze and dead ahead but then we live in hopes at 1 PM Tacked ship heading NW. At 3 PM Tacked again heading SE. We are out six months to day it has slipped away pretty quick and one eighth of our Voyage is certainly past and I hope one fifth but then never mind I might as well be here as any where else for what I know.

Saturday

Feb 24

Yesterday I made a mistake in the day of the week but that all are liable to do so I will proceed. The same old story Strong breeze off the Land though we can't see it is so thick at 4 PM raised a sail on our Starboard Bow. She came off to us and spoke us at 3 PM. Our Old Man went on board of her. She was the Caroline of N.B. Capt. Gifford, 30 months out 1000 bbls. to cruise into Salcahuano and Home. The Old Man brought some Potatoes and Onions with him when he came at 7 PM. She came out of Port yesterday morning reports the Florida with 300 Men and 100 whale, sailed 3 weeks ago for Japan and Cohotok. The Old Mans wife was sick here for a week or two but was better or quite recovered when the Florida sailed. I am writing this in the Mid watch and it is raining sweet on deck we have whole Topsails out heading about NW. The Land on our weather beam. I hope the rain will shift the wind. The Caroline reports 17 Sail in Hongami.

Sunday February 25th 1838

Feb 25

Our expectations of getting into Hanganui ^{today} were rather suddenly put an end to by the wind first hauling ahead and then blowing so that at 6 AM we had Doubles reefed Tops and Main sail & Jib furled at 3 PM Jib & fore Tops and close reefed the main. At 4 PM braced both Cape on our Lee Bow 3 Points heading SW wind from S E. Ware ship and hauled the fore sail up and set Razor Staysail, a heavy sea running and blowing quite hard. Last night I went below my watch on deck and wrote half a letter which I was going to send home by the Jas Men which was going to sail this morning and we were going to head her off as she came out, but our pin anticipations were knocked in the head and my letter broke of in the middle of it to brace the yards and take in sail were are on Starboard Tack heading E. now.

Tuesday

Feb 26

We have been gloriously disappointed to day it cleared off last night and we found that we were cruising around the Three Kings instead of North Cape, as we supposed. The Land is now on our weather bow heading ESE this is North Cape the Three Kings is out of sight & now we have the wind very near a leading one the Main Top Sail was out this morning but we now have doubles reefed Topsails and Courses our Jib boom is so badly sprung that we can't carry it with any strong breeze. Our Old Man's reckoning was proved right but he dare not trust to it. We saw 2 sails to day they were steering off free and I expect that one of them was the Jas Men that we expected to put our letters on board of. It has moderated considerably since noon. Lat. by Obs. 34 N. at 12 M.

Wednesday March 2nd 1858

Mon. 2nd

We are as far as ever from getting to Port for the wind keeps just in time to keep us about so far and there it keeps us I don't know where we are and don't believe that the Old Man knows much better at least he don't act so any way. Sometimes the wind allows to carry all sail and in half an hour we are doubled reefed we have reefed Topsails 3 or 4 times today. Land has been in sight all day it is now on our Port Bow and Beam about 15 miles off. heading about S.W. wind from S.E. Two sails in sight today both steering to the Eastward. Saw some Whirlpools today. Fished the Jib boom with a couple of Spars today but being done too late it does not much good. We have not much prospect of getting in unless the wind favors us for the old box won't beat handled in the way she has been thus far.

Thursday

Mon. 3rd

This morning the Land on our weather Bow distant 15 miles dead to the windward we have all sail on her now daylight. One sail ahead of us we heading S.E. at 1 P.M. raised a Schooner ahead both going same as we are. During the day Tacked several times and at 2 P.M. the Old Man found out where we were by a large rock with a hole through it of Cape Breton we were within 10 miles of Bay of Islands instead of being right of Monaganui as the Old Man said we were. Now Ship and are now steering W. running along the Land 2 P.M. at 3 P.M. raised a sail ahead. We are within 2 miles of the Land we can see the Trees and Air or three different smokes on the Land also a whaleboat with sail set running along the Land. We have seen any quantity of Monaganui today some saying that was it and others some other kind of Land. The amount of it is the Old Man nor any of don't know where it is if they do know which I am not certain. The weather clear wind from S. steering W.

Mongamui Friday March 4th 1837

The wind freshening as
a letter last night we worked up in to the
Bay in company Mongamui & makes out of we
saw two sail one on our lee beam and the
other was close to us both working up the
same as we were. At daylight we commenced
getting the chains up and the anchors of the bows
The Bark, first light went in but the wind
heading us off we came to an anchor outside Mr.
Brother came off and the Old Man went ashore. We then
sent a raft ashore of 17 casks and at 2 P.M. the Old Man
came off and we got under weigh and the wind being
fair came in the Olympia just ahead of us. The
Junior is being just outside nearly ready for sea
We sent in the jib boom and furled sail the boom
is sprung so as to be useless. One Boat crew went ashore
and filled the Raft. Outside of the harbor To night I
have all night in as the Officers stand watch to
prevent running away I suppose. The Old Man showed
his meanness pretty effectually I say I think, However
I am sold for this season. Any way I can fix it and
so I shall find the best possible face on the matter
and grin and bear it. Hoping for better luck next time
I am tired and am going to turn in so good night

Sunday.

Feb 6. I have been writing letters but have
stopped now I send them by the Olympia.
The Starboard Watch has gone ashore on Liberty
and it seems quite lone some nothing to do
it has rained twice or three times today
but is clear now. The Watch is coming aboard and
in fine spirits having had a fine time
considering the place which has not
much to find sport in. Some one or
other has been to the Old Man and told him
that the Boatsteerers meant to take a boat and run
away that is the reason the Officers stand watch I suppose.

Liberty

March 13

Sunday March 13th 1859

We are outside of the harbor
laying off and on waiting to catch 2 runaway
we had three run and caught one of them before we
sailed we came out last night or rather in
the afternoon. This morning we stowed down
the cables we got the Anchors on the Bows yesterday
The ~~Fort~~ Mat. and the Old Man had a row
yesterday caused by too much rum

I have been sick now three days I caught
cold getting a raft of water and its completely
used me up I am now so weak I can't do
anything though much better than I was.

We bought 11 tons of Potatoes 2 Tons Onions 5
Bags of different sizes 6 Turkeys and we bought
or rather the rest did some Peaches and Honey.

Our folks in the steerage bought a dozen
Plates, Spoons, Cups, and 4 doz. knives & Forks
seeing as the owners are too poor to furn-
ish us with dishes to sufficient for our
use. now we are all right and no thanks
to any of them. I never will trust what
another says he will do as long as I have
salt water for my living for if ever men
had occasion our Officers had but not a word
said. We spliced two sticks together and put
it out for a jib boom instead of buying
a new stick when they were both handy and
cheap. We left the Olympia, Birch Swift, California in
Port the jib I was having a new mainmast
and it was the finest stick I ever saw and
that is what every one said that saw it.

The California sent home 4 witnesses and a man that
killed another from Bahia in Brazil she
had a boatswain have his arm broken one
Desolation she stopped a little longer than we did
and got 550 bbls all told some on Broken Pants.
I sent my letters by boatswain in the Olympia.

Sailed Apr the 19th March.

My Sixty days were the 5th and 9th of March.

March 15

Tuesday March 15th 1839

The Old Man went ashore at 11 A.M. to find our deserters he picked his Boats crew and I hope they will serve him as the picket crew did at Fagot. Two sails in sight off shore we are now pretty well up in the passage. we expect the Old Man off by five P.M. Macarter told me that the was going to get a Bomb Lance gun for him. I stood my watch last night for the first time since I was sick I am not able to do much now but had rather be around I rigged my Boat yesterday and now we are all ready for the Whales. They talk some of going on Kodiak but I don't put much faith in it as yet. At 6 P.M. the Old Man came off but did not have any deserters with him so now we are off. Heading N.E. by E. Wind from N.W. by N. The J. P. West. was in Port from I volation with 45 Cbbls. of Whale Oil

March 16

Wednesday

This Morning Strong breeze from N.W. heading N.E. Our Gil Martingale which we fixed in Port parted but the Blacksmith fitted it again and we are now going it in fine style about as fast as an old crab. This Morning I spoke the Ship Narragansett of Nantucket with 16 Cbbl Oil bound to Bay of Islands for letters ^{She's} from Sydney East

Thursday

March 20

I have made quite a long skip in my notes of the trials and tribulations besetting me in this world of sin and sadness. We have a light wind from E. Steering N.W. the wind has been of right astern these three days but hauled round since dinner. Last night there was a very bright Lunar rainbow the colors being nearly as plain as in a Solar arc. It is decidedly lonesome nothing in sight neither sails nor spouts but then I suppose I feel it more having just left Port but that will soon wear off I suppose it has heretofore anyhow.

Tuesday March 22nd 1859

Mon. 22nd

We have got our usual luck for the past month namely a head wind though it is not quite so bad we had N. wind from W.M. been mending the Main Toppail yesterday and today we bent it to night having had a new one bent in Mongamui we have plenty of sailmaking to do for all our sails want mending badly. nothing been seen every day I don't know but a whale would be a perfect godsend just for the excitement if nothing else for I am half sick and do feel so lonesome I can scarcely stand my watch but then cold weather will straighten me up again I suppose.

Wednesday,

Mon. 23

Our good luck is returning for we have a fair wind and it will give us the Trades I think. Today we were at work in the rigging and mending the Gaff Toppail. nothing seen today I raised land but it was rather too cloudy for human beings to reside on. I never have given a crew list and as there is nothing else to fill up I will now. Master William Davis, 1st Mate Mr. Eastwood, 2nd Mate Mr. Cushman, 3rd Mate Mr. Carter, 4th Mate Mr. Martin. Cooper. J. Coleman, Boatsteerers D. McSelden John Abrams, D. W. Williams goes by the name of Bill, Alfred West, Steward is Kaughtman, Carpenter J. T. Boulton, these are the After Land. I don't know the names of all but as they hail in the Ship Cook, Jo. Portuguese, George, S. Ward, William Schollard called Big Bill, Sam little Bill, Thomas Powell, Joseph Comvage called Little Jo or Boy. Two Portuguese shipped in Fayal Antoni & Francisco. and Henry Lynch. That is the Starboard Watch. John Wallin, Small, Sydney Case, Dolo, Blacksmith, A Spaniard Peter, two Portuguese shipped in Fayal Antoni & Francisco. That forms the Starboard watch The Boatsteerers & the Officers as they follow. are written down, One Boatsteerer Discharged in Fayal Chas. Chadwick, One ran away there Martin, Two ran away in Mongamui Dan, and Big Jack the one that the Old Man Slugged.

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Friday March 23rd 1839

Feb. 23

This morning commenced raining and has continued to do so till now 7 P.M. The wind is from S.E. Steering N.W. it was a good strong breeze this morning but the rain has killed it all and now it is nearly a calm having just Steered away on the ship. The Old Man told Mr. Carter last night that he was going to cruise off the Weed Ground till July and then go in to the Bays and hang out there till the last Trump blows. So I suppose we may fall in with the Florida up there. We are 7 months out to day, I mean to keep a strict account of that. I tell you.

Sunday

Feb. 24

Rain and nothing else has been the rule since Friday with light winds and variable though mostly from S.W. ^{East} now it is from S.W. our course the same. The Old Woman's Blessing for Sailors has been poured out on us in good style. Saw a water spout yesterday but it was five or six miles off. It cleared off about 12 M. and has been pretty good weather since. The Latitude was 15.41 South our Long. I suppose is about 160. E but can't tell for certain we have not got it for five days. In looking over my crew list I found I hadve omitted one shipped in Fayal named Ben Schollard and West also shipped in Fayal.

Tuesday

Feb 25

To day got a pair of Denim pants from the Old Man To pay Antone for washing with. Price I suppose 10^{cts}. The wind is about as light as it can well be and have any it is from S.W. The Trades seem to have gone on a visit for we have not seen them as yet. We are busy mending sails and working in the rigging, our sails are all mended now we bent Fore Top sail yesterday. It was so hot that it fairly Boiled me in my own perspiration it was full of hot to day.

Wednesday March 30th 1859

March 30

To day I have as ever Bought two Bars White Soap, price about \$50 each one for Antone for Washing. Been Painting my Boat to day a lead colored Bottom and Waist Boat the same at the same making Smal line Saps. The Carpenter making two Dead Eyes for lower rigging two hancing & split out all together and there is four or five more nearly as bad all left in that condition. Painting the Iron work, and putting on rattins that is mending them.

Saturday Night

Apr. 2.

Our Luck has changed a little for the better for we have a good breeze from N.W. whenever it is not twisted out of its course by Thunder squalls of which we have had plenty for the past week but if the wind holds and the Lord willing we will be out of them soon and for my part it can't be too quick for if ever I was tired of anything I am of this. Since we left Port The Old Man has been trying every means in his power to render the Ship disagreeable to all hands and he has a worthy helpmeet in the Pilot who would be (if he dared too) a good man but he is so mortal afraid he dare not say he or do anything without first receiving his cue from the Old Man. It is in Work up jobs that it shows itself and it seems to me the Old Man is trying to work the Boatstewers up on account of that Sweet Rascal that carried him the yarns in a Horgan about our going to run away. He can't say anything for fear he should let us know who it was that carried the yarns. Nowadays it is wash off Decks and Mastheads if as soon as it is light enough to see your way round decks it makes no difference whether it rains or not its Draw Water. Well I wish them Good Luck at it anyway.

Sunday April 3rd 1859

Apr. 3rd

This morning the wind was from about N.W. but at dark it hauled round to W. where it now is. It has been very squally all day and last night. Our latitude was 9° 55' South to day at N. The other day we caught a Porpoise but he was so poor we bore him overboard though we had to lower a Boat for him. It grieved the Old Man to the Heart's core but his digestive Powers couldn't stand the Pressure some launched him. This is our day of rest and it is a blessing to us for it is work from one day's end to another and sometimes they shove the work into the Sundays as well.

Wednesday

Apr. 6

Our particular friends, old Boreas & Co. determined that we shall have a fine time of it here for we have been in just about this spot for three days. we have a good breeze now from N.W. it sprang up about 11 A.M. It is now 1 P.M. we struck a Porpoise to day but did not save him. Yesterday at 9 A.M. we raised white water it proved to be a reef just level with the water as it was smooth there was only a little surf. I should call it very dangerous. In the Afternoon we raised a Fin back almost as big as a Porpoise. We are busily engaged in the Rigging undoing what we done the day before.

Friday

Apr. 8

We are still in the same old place the Wind is so changeable that I have given up telling where it is or was though with all its changes I manage to keep ahead or else at least dead in the water. I am really homesick this hot weather and I have not been well since we left Mangani has completely used me up. All hands are going to either Tern Islands or Storekeepers the latter seems to be the favorite if they ever do land in Swat America.

All the way good as nothing
 I have started several times

Mr. G. G. G.

Sunday April 10. 1859

Apr. 10

At last we have had a steady wind for 24 hours it is from N.W. our course is now at N.W. by N. when we can head it. I hope it will hold as I am tired of this and if we are much longer in this warm weather we shall bid good bye to our season's work for the Officers are already beginning to pick quarrels with one another and all hands are getting grouchy for my part I am I know far from desirous to see things go on as they do here though the Old Man nor any of the rest ever say anything out of the way to me still I have to feel some portion of their spleen through the rest. What the reason is I don't know but Mr. Eastwood seems determined to make as much favor for himself as he can at the expense of the remainder crew and Officers. Though nothing openly has as yet been said of done which makes the matter the worse when it does come. And from what I can see I think the Officers won't work together any too well now another such month as we have had and they will be in open war.

Latitude to day 43° 30' South.

Monday

Apr. 11

Our good breeze still holds and we are in hopes of crossing the Line in the course of time. It is from N.W. our course is N.W. by N. So we are a point free.

Our work is principally rather the rigging down just at present we take things easy and don't hurry ourselves and since the breeze is likely to hold our Family circle begins to get a little more good natured excepting the happy Family who are as cross as ever This consists of the Boatstewer in the other Watch and Cooper who are in a continual ground helped occasionally by the Cook and Steward who come in just to add a little seasoning.

Latitude to day 22° 30' S. making two degrees since yesterday.

Tuesday April 12th 1859

Apr. 12.

This morning at 2 AM. Took in the
Stunsail the Wind being from E. & E. Hauled up the Courses and
luffed to the wind with the Main yard aback looking sharp
for Land at 4 AM. Set sail and stood on our course not having
seen any Land as yet; now 2 PM. It was bright moonlight
and we should have seen the Land if we went within
ten miles of it but that is a little too fine reckoning
for this Old Man. though he hear him blow anyone
would think he could almost smell his position
and in fact he is so good at blowing that they call
him all that know him Old Blowhard which is pretty near
right. We saw one Humpback this morning. Our course is now
N by E. We finished rather our rigging this morning.
The other Watch have now or three days more at it -
Latitude is about 1° South At 4 PM. changed
our course to W by N it was N by W instead of N by E.
since morning They are expecting to see land to
night I suppose but the Good knows for the Old Man
don't any how. I obtained the Chronometer
Time and worked the Longitude myself. It was
16 1/2° East. Latitude 48 miles South.

Wednesday.

Apr. 13.

This morning a fine
breeze from E. & N. E. Steering W by N. at 12 past 12. We
raised Land & points on the Starboard Bow, distant
25 miles Altered our course for it and at 4 PM.
hauled aback the Main Yard for some canoes to come
alongside and one whale boat with two white men in
The Old Man bought 15 Hogs I believe. and the
Men bought some Malt's Coconuts and Fishlines
and such like things as for myself I did not
see anything worth buying. It was the
poorest Island I ever went to for trading
There is some 8 or 9 white men living on the Island. The
Old Man tried to have no Kanakas aboard but he
had to let them come on board at 1 PM. squared our
yard. Steering N by E.

Apr. 13th 1859.
Pitcairn Island.

Thursday April 14th 1857

Apr. 14

We have at last got to the northward of the Gaine having been farwats in doing it. The wind is from E. N. E. Steering N. W. by N. and I suppose we shall sometime or other arrive in the Beholuk. We bought 16 hogs yesterday instead of 13. as I stated yesterday making 21 in all which makes a pretty decent kind of a Hog Pen off the Ship the new comes are undergoing the penalty of going to sea and they make a solemn looking lot. There is nothing in sight today which I suppose will be the every day account till we arrive in the Bowhut country. The men are all happy having something to look at and talk about as most of them bought some curiosities but as for myself I saw nothing worth while buying.

Friday

Apr. 15th

The Trades still hold us good and strong from E but they have been gradually hauling ahead it is now from N. E. our course N. W. by N. It is getting squally and as we have eight hours out tonight I expect to get a wet jacket but then that is nothing as it is so warm that a wetting comes as a favor only if it comes in the night it spoils our caulking decks and sets all the Hogs squalling in concert so the watch below have a not much better time with the heat and Rags combined. Though by the way one of them died yesterday Hornesickness the cause I suppose. The Alderman found some meat in the Slop bucket forward today and is blowing off some of his surplus Gas now about it but then that is a necessity as he would certainly bust his if he did not. He has not had any very good chance lately so he is making the most of it. Our Longitude 164.25 East the Latitude at Two P.M. 60 North so we are well on the right side of Father Time's dominions. The Carpenter has been off duty this week back having cut the ends of two of his fingers off.

(Sunday April 17th 1859

Apr. 17

Last night as I expected it was very squally and pretty heavy ones at 4 A.M. commenced to squall and we clewed down the Toppallantail and Stagsails when the Old Man came up and it giving a little extra touch the Old Man got galled and commenced singing out so that he frightened the senses out of the poor devils and the Main Tailsail clewline unhooked and the sheet was playing about in fine style till I went aloft and found out what was the matter but it knocked a hole in the Main Tailsail about big enough to back a cart through besides tearing the Toppallantail some as soon as we had finished our dinner it was sent down the Tailsail and Toppallantail and mended them which took us till 6 P.M. when we were all right again The course is N.W. by N. Wind from W.E. a good strong breeze During the squall this morning our new Pigs were sliding across decks in all manner of shapes about a dozen came afloat of me and Pigs and I brought up in the lee scuppers rather promiscuously as a dorky would say.

Monday

Apr. 18

The wind hauled at last night a couple of Points and now is from E.N.E. We have all sail out with Stunsails Steering N.W. by N. our Latitude at N. 10° 53' North which is getting along pretty fast for us. Today been setting up the Head Stays and generally fussing round to fit the Ship for the Octoth. She begins to look about right now.

Saw a couple of Fin Backs this morning and a great many Side Rips they were small however but at a distance looked like the swash of a sea over sunken rocks. Today we were very near under the sun at Meridian lacking 11 miles of it being that much North of it but it is quite cool it is so you can sit below and not sweat much if you keep perfectly quiet Latitude at 11° 12' N. Longitude 161° 34' E.

Tuesday April 19th 1839.

Apr. 19.

The wind has been varying from N to E as it generally does in the Trade though it seldom quorks to the N of E it is commonly from about ENE. We have Stunsails out when we can have them draw our course is still N by E the wind is a good whole sail breeze and we get over about 145 miles a day. This Afternoon there has been plenty of Skipjacks around and the Fishermen have caught five Three of which made all hands suspicious these fish are sometimes poisonous from eating the Copper of the Ship's bottom but that is where they have been round ships a good long time. They are still fishing for them and I suppose will till they take the hint and leave. They are caught with a hook baited with a white rag made to represent a flying fish and kept skippering along on the water. Latitude today 4° 18' N. Longitude 159° 51' East.

Wednesday

Apr. 20.

To day we have been mending the Main topmast's staysail, and picking over our Unions. They have not kept of any account. Towards night broke ~~the~~ and water and I painted the Gunnels of my Boat and the Toin cover. The Boats are all painted with Dead colored Bottoms and White Gunnels they look very well.

The wind holds good yet from ENE Steering N by E. and already we are calculating how soon we shall arrive in the Cote d'Ivoire and after we are there how many barrels of oil we shall obtain some putting our season as high as 1500 and others as low as 500 for myself I go in for 1200 and hope we shall get it. One or two croakers however claim we won't get over 1000 hundred but then there is no one who believes them and I don't think they believe it themselves. Everything goes on smoothly the last few days. Latitude 4° 16' N. Longitude 158° 21' East.

Thursday April 21st 1837

Apr. 21

The wind was rather lighter than common last night but at daylight - breezed up and has held strong since. Course NW by N. There seems to be a strong current setting to the Eastward all day. Some time during the night the Mizen Topmast & Flag parted. Saw it in the morning and spliced and set it up again it parted at the Main Mast head & rone through the Cap. This afternoon broke out for Cornmeal to stuff the Turkeys with and other necessaries of this life Latitude at 16. 18. 26 North.

Friday

Apr. 23.

To day at 2 P.M. saw a whole breach but did not see anything more of him. I suppose that it was some Fin back that I felt extra well and let himself out for a jump. The wind is still good and well aft being about East - now the Latitude to day at noon 23. 36 North. This afternoon broke out the Tail Pen and stowed back again just to see the Bottom. They are getting hard up for work to do and so are going in for anything that promises to keep men busy.

Sunday

Apr. 24th

The Trade winds are numbered with the things that were at about the Meridian the wind died away and shifted to the SE. but during the afternoon it varied more to the Southward and now 6 P.M. a strong breeze from NE. The Latitude to day at 11. 36. 17 North. It has been very warm to day there not being any wind to shake off along about noon. Nothing seen to day and it will be the way I suppose for two or three weeks and I am really pushed to find something to write about for the last ten days I have been writing all sorts of nonsense as well as the ships performances just to fill up for I begin to think I shall never fill my book up and if we go home in two seasons I shall have to write nights and Sundays.

Monday April 25th 1857

Apr. 25.

The Course was changed last night at 5 P.M. to it, and we have steered that course since. The wind has been rather changeable but at length it steadied itself at about S.E. by E. where it is now and a good breeze. Last night a heavy swell rose from N.W. & I should think there had been a very heavy Gale somewhere to the northward. To day saw one spout but made nothing of it. There is plenty of birds round the day and I should suppose there was whales near here.

This afternoon we set up the Starboard Topmast and Topgallant Backstays we took in six inches and now the Masts are not upright yet, we shall have another time in tomorrow respect. The Latitude at 11. 28. 30 North.

Tuesday.

Apr. 26th

Last night the wind gradually hauled round to the southward and this morning it was about S.W. and plenty of rain at 10 A.M. there was a pretty sharp squall and at 12 M. the wind hauled out to N.W. and blew for one hour or two pretty sharp we took in the Topgallantails Jib, Courses, and Close reefed the Main Topmast and furled the Fore Topsail when the Starboard watch went below to get dinner (we had had all hands) Together with the Officers went as soon as they had got fairly sat down at it the Main Topsail Clew gave out and the sail tore badly the roping ripped off the weather side and the Durl Lashing parted all at one flick it was blowing pretty sharp at the Main we closed up the weather side and furled it and at 4 P.M. we sent down the 1st Topsail and Bunt a new one. Set Foresail at 5 M. The wind moderated down to a light Gale though a heavy sea running at 6 P.M. we were ship heading now N.W. by N. wind about N.W. The wind was very Puffy coming all at once we had two hours pretty sharp work taking in sail and making everything straight again.

Wednesday April 24th 1859.

Apr. 24.

The wind during the night hauled round to West East where it now holds. at daylight we made sail that is set whole Topsails and Courses. Steering N. we saw a couple of Finbacks today and plenty of Whale food. The Main Royal was sent down yesterday and today we mended it and stowed below. The weather has changed so much in the last twentyfour hours that thick clothes are getting comfortable. Some few are shivering round with their ones on but they will soon have them on for if we hold our breeze we shall be in the Sea in six days more. Latitude to day at 4 P.M. 37.37 N. Longitude 152.23 East.

Thursday

Apr. 28

Our course is still N. with a strong breeze from S.E. all sail set.

We have been mending jib today and bent again. At 4 P.M. we sent up the Main Royal again. I suppose it will be kept as a kind of Telegraph to exercise us with. After 4 we broke out Bread and water.

There is any quantity of Whale feed along here most of it is alive and the water is of excellent color for Right Whales and I think inshore there are some at any rate I should like to go run in and see at least and the Land down. No observation of Sun today.

Friday

Apr. 29.

Wind from about S. Steering N. a good strong breeze and we are sliding along in good shape for the Sea. The old Man had 9 bags of Potatoes packed in the Run in Manganui calculating to have them for his own use when the rest were all gone but for a week back they have smelt rather strong and today we brought them on deck and over half were decayed. They are to be used up the first ones now. They are now singing out haul, haul, having just struck a Porpoise - and saved him so now we shall have some Fresh. Our Latitude at 4 P.M. 37.10 N.

Mr. Cushman



April 30th 1859

Apr - 30

Last night we had another good time. My middle watch on deck at about 12 we took in Main Topgallant sail and in attempting to reef the Fore Top sail the wind on the quarter and not trimming the yards to the wind the men couldn't knot the reef points and after being up there about 1/2 an hour ^{we} were called down to brace the yards and reef the Main Top sail the wind having hauled round to N. in hauling out the reef tackles the weather once parted and we had to clew up the weather side and reef and set it then we reefed the Fore Top sail and after having it set half an hour we had to furl it. We had 3 hours work and to make it nice raining till I was wet through it was just the time to that those who think it is all pine weather should ^{have} been here. At 12 M. we put ^{the} ship on the Port tack heading ENE. the wind still holds from N. We have been setting up the Topmast and Topgallant rigging. Lat. at 10. 38. 12 N. They are now just tacking ship she heads about NW. I had forgotten one of the Turkeys was killed today and is to be our dinner tomorrow that is the Officer.

Sunday

May 1st

It was a dead calm last night from 8 till about 1 AM. then when a breeze sprang up from the E and has been hauling off all day and now is from about South we steering north with all sail out the breeze is rather light but then we can't complain for we have been blessed from the Divine with excellent winds.

We saw a large school of Blackfish this forenoon and have seen three or four Finbacks during the day but nothing that looks like Right Whales. Though there is plenty of Drift around we caught some in a bucket last night and put one in the Carpenter's Microscope they are oval shaped with a small ^{sharp} head and seem to be very near flat there is a large vein runs through the length of them and numerous smaller ones branch off from it they seem to be full of red blood and have a quick pulsation. Just 6 P.M. changed our course to N. by E.

Lat. at 4 P.M. 39. 50 N. Long. 75. 30 East.

May 1st 1838

May 2

Monday

This morning the wind hauled to the Eastward and rained till about 8 AM, when it cleared off. (it rained nearly all night,) and at 10 AM the wind snatched at sail and the breeze which was good till about 11 AM begins to die away and it was nearly calm this afternoon. Plenty of Finbacks round all day. At 4 PM. raised a sail 2 Points on the weather bow and course N by W. At 5 PM. they saw a whale turn flukes and the old man tried to make a Right Whale but it had a Humpback was all they could do with him. It is dead calm now at 6 PM. At 7 PM. a light breeze from about N. heading N by W. that sail on the Starboard beam, Strapping the Main Braces Blocks and seizing on a preventer Pin rail on Fore and Main Rigging. It is cold working in the rigging now. Got up 4 three Casks for the Hops to sleep in. Lashed on the quarter decks. Lat. 42° 30' N. Longitude 152° 32' East.

Tuesday.

May 3rd

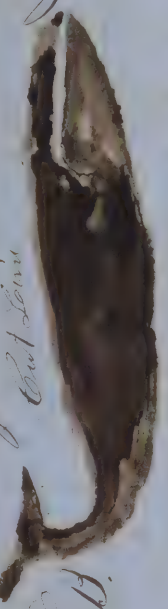
During the night it was nearly calm and continued so till 1 PM. when a good breeze sprang up from the ENE. at 9 AM. raised Right Whales and cleared away 3 Boats. and after being down about a hour the Mr. Eastwood, struck and after holding on till 1 PM. cut him and came on board the whale running to the Leeward all the time we fired one Bomb Lance into him but he was altogether too much for us. Sam completely tired out for with one or two short intervals we were pulling all the time. There was 4 sails in sight all day, one of them was whaling.

Wednesday.

May 4th

This morning the wind was blowing quite strong, so that we made no sail it soon commenced raining called the Men down from Masthead, and furled the Main sail and at 4 PM. were ship we are under Main Topsail and Foresail we have been Skirting N. all day. This afternoon it snowed quite sharp and it is quite cold and no very desirable weather any way you take it

c May 3rd 1838



G. D.

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Thursday May 3rd 1857.

May 3rd

To day fine weather
one sail in sight. plenty of Siberian and
Timbucktoe in sight but no Right Whales
we have been coiling small Tules of Seine
for the boats the Mate coiled a new Seine in place
of the one he lost. This afternoon at 2 1/2 Big Jack
met his death at the hands of Mr. Eastwood not
the Man Big Jack that we did have but the Hog we
named after him. We are steering to the East
ward now having drifted to the westward too much
Longitude at 2 P.M. 150 55 E. Lat.

Friday

May 4th

This morning blowing a good breeze
from S.W. we were steering about E.N.E. at 9 AM
raised two Right Whales right ahead hauled aback and lowered
L.B. & S.B. Boats the rest of us having to stop aboard and stow down
the After Hold which we had broke out in the morning. The Mate
went on to one of the whales and Dan, darted two Prows at him
but he was just out of his reach the whales then started off to
the Leeward and we followed with the ship and at 12 1/2 P.M. lowered
away the L. W. & S.B. Boats and the Mate went on to the same
whale again but he settled and Dan only bent one Prow slightly
on him. They still kept their course and we after them
with the Ship and at 3 P.M. lowered away the L. & S.B. Boats
but they gallied them again and then came on board
at 6 P.M. and got supper when we altered our course
to N and left them they have been going E.N.E. or very near it.
The Cook and Steward had a shock to night and it
was fun to see the performance one being afraid of
the other and both afraid of the Old Man as they are
of that gentleman with the Clowen foot that lives
down below. One is a Darkey and the other a Dutchman.
The Old Man has as much as said he should not
keep these Officers longer than possible in any bearing
to day. We have just took in sail for the night and
they have raised a spout of some kind.
Lat. 44.06 at 2 P.M. Long. 153 19 E.

Saturday May 5th 1839

May 5th

It has been raining all the afternoon till 6 P.M. when the wind died away and a thick fog on the sea is quite smooth so I think that we are very near land we were steering N by W till 6 P.M. when we took in sail and luffed to the wind on the Starboard Tack, Wind from S.W. The Old Man tried to stop us from having our door shut but he has got to ^{open} shut it himself every five minutes if he gets it open. Mr. Carter yesterday gave me a Russian Cap yesterday he got it out of the Floe Chest but I shall offer him pay for it at least

Sunday

May 8

Checked the accounts when we entered the
 Port May 8 1839

A thick fog all the forenoon but at 10 A.M. it cleared up and the Land raised about 10 miles off bearing about N.W. from us. We made sail and run along the land till 5 P.M. when we luffed up for a passage the wind being from S. and Land on the Starboard Bow. we had a pretty strong squall but the wind is lighter now and we are bound through under double reefed Topsails. I expect we will be in the Ochotsk in the morning. We had a piece of roast Pig today for dinner and we sent it back again for which the Old Man says he will put us on an allowance and if he does we will put ourselves another allowance of work, so it goes one day good friends the next at war.

S. Comdays

May 9

In the Ochotsk, Sea at last we got in this afternoon at 4 P.M. yesterday we raised Ice on the South side of the passage at 8 P.M. and we had to back out and to day came in through a passage farther north. The Land is covered with snow to the waters edge and it is cold the wind coming off the snow. We killed another Hog to day though there is 3/4 of the other one left yet the reason is that they eat too much Corn and that grieves the Old Man. The wind is from the W. and a strong breeze the Latitude at Meridian was 47 1/2 North and we had to run North to reach this passage about 10 miles.

Tuesday May 10th 1839.

May 10

Fine beautiful weather the wind from WNW and we are heading to the Northeast and keeping a sharp look out for Ice and Sails, Whales are out of the account for the present. we saw the land this afternoon at 3 P.M. on our Starboard beam a long way off. This morning we salted the Hog we killed yesterday. I have noted this as it is the first that I ever saw salted at Sea. I shall not stamp the land down any more as we shall most likely soon be in sight of it nearly all the time
Lat. at 4 P.M. 49.20 N. Long. 153.22 East.

Wednesday

May 12.

It is now nearly calm though we had a good breeze last night and this morning from South round to Northeast. The Sea is as smooth as a house floor and quite warm in the middle and latter parts of the day but the mornings do nip a fellows nose and make him jump round to keep warm. Some men has got a whale here as we saw a Carcase this afternoon that some one had took the hile off. We saw some Scamperdowns or square head Trampuses yesterday and today also. one lot raised off Deck and the others about a mile off. Yesterday we took the heads of all the remaining 4 Turkeys and dressed them for future use they will keep without the use of any Ice chest or Refrigerator in this weather. The Old Man was going to raise Ice yesterday without fail but we have not seen any more than what formed in the deck tub. and on the rigging last night during a snow storm we had for about 6 hours. This shows what the Old Man knows about the Cohob. though he has been here two voyages before as master off a ship though I don't believe he ever saw Ice here in may he says he has however. I surely forgot to mention that this morning that he set the Flying jib and left the Main top sails sail furled a good strong breeze on at the time a thing he has not the voyage before. and only last night he was going to keep us at the Mast head night and day and then called us down before sundown.
Lat. at 4 P.M. 51.46 N. Long. 149.38 East.

Friday May 13th 1859

May 13.

This morning at 1 AM. the raised
Ice and luffed to the wind on the Starboard Tack with the Main
Tard aback and laid so till 3 1/2 AM when we kept on our course NW
by N. again wind from S by E there was some small Ice about
as large field as the ship and after running off a short time
we raised some more scattering pieces but not enough to call
Ice. There was two Sails in sight at 4 AM. one to the windward
steering the same as ourselves the other ahead braced on the wind
on the Starboard Tack. We spoke the ship ahead at 7 AM she was
the Bark Waveret, Swain, of New Bedford and he came aboard of us
for a Game. the other ship run down to us and the Capt. came on
board of us. She was the Othello, Killmer, New Bedford. last from
the Sandwich Island & Makodade with 450 bbls of Whale Oil obtained
off the River ^{De Lo} Platte. She reports the Japan sea fleet as having
done nothing to speak of. The Florida, heard from Japan sea, nothing.
They remained but a few minutes and the Othello and we squared
away NW. the Waveret heading up NW. At 10 AM it
commenced to snow and to blow half a gale and is still
snowing 6 P.M. though the wind has moderated it is very thick and
I suppose we shall have to have to to night for fear of Ice.
Though we have seen none this Afternoon.

We have been all hands hard at work snow balling one
another this afternoon and some of them have got cleaner
looking faces than they have had for a month back.

At 7 P.M. the wind chopped round to west and
commenced blowing quite hard and we furled the
Foretopsail we are braced up on the Port Tack heading
about North.

Saturday

May 14.

At 1 AM. it was blowing a regular
screamer. we furled the Forsail and was a good hour close reefing the
Main topsail it blowed very hard till 7 AM when it began to moderate
and now 10 AM is quite good weather. There is plenty of scattering Ice around
but we are still working to the north. At 2 P.M. the Othello came
in sight and the ~~wine~~ Old Man went aboard of her. where he now is
6 P.M. the weather fine and a good breeze we are working up, though
the Ice to the North & West. Lat. at 4 AM. 53.55 N. Long. at 12 AM. 149.35. E. W.

May 15th

Tuesday May 15th 1857.

The *Chello* was in sight this morning and commenced working into the Ice to the N. West but at 9 AM she hauled her wind and stood to the Eastward we kept on our way and as the wind which was nearly calm at daylight increased we have made pretty good progress by taking the open spaces and now at 7 P.M. are in a clear space of some 15 miles diameter where we shall lie to night the wind is pretty strong from SSE but we have plenty of room and there is so much Ice to the windward that there is no more sea than there is on the reservoir at home. As yet we have seen nothing but Seals, Ducks and wild Geese of which there is plenty. We have started the Copper some on the Bow but not a great deal the Ice not being heavy enough to hurt much. There is no one in sight and we are alone in our glory.

Monday

May 16th

The Wind hauled suddenly round to the N.W. and blew quite strong for two or three hours at daylight we kept on our course which is N.W. by W when we could on account of Ice the flocks are getting larger and the clear water is in larger bodies than it has been but we have made pretty good progress. A sail in sight at 4 P.M. on the Lee quarter she is working the same as ourselves. Lat. at 2 P.M. 54.24. north. Long. 148.39 East.

Wednesday

May 18.

Wind is from the same and we have been beating to windward all the afternoon the fog being so thick before we had to lie to. Last night it rained hailed and snowed and the Ice on the rigging is about one or two inches thick though the Ice in the sea has melted away very fast Seals appearing in every direction. Our friend is still in sight and working up after us We are in no very good humor not having seen any signs of Whales as yet I expect that the fleet is inshore of us and taking whales too but we shall not get any whale if it don't hold good weather.

Thursday May 17th 1859

May 17

It snowed some for two or three hours this morning but eventually cleared off and the Sun came out and thawed the Ice off the rigging and it has been rattling round our heads all day. There has not been much wind and we have not made a great deal of headway though we have had clear water to work in the Ice being very much broken up. One Sail in sight no sign of whales and I have given up all hopes of seeing any till we get in where the Ice is heavier and then there will be some chance. Killed a Hog to day and I say, that he will get cooked some time next Season. Our Lat^d at 4 P.M. was 54.28 north Long. 148.25 East.

Friday

May 20

This morning at 11 A.M. it commenced hailing and blowing and it did not stop till 4 P.M. when it turned into sleet and freezing as fast as it fell the rigging at 8 A.M. was covered with Ice so much that the ^{Lead} Backstays were all hanging in lights with the weight of it. The weather cleared up some at ten A.M. and the Old Man still being aback we pretended to raise a sail running to leeward and the Old Man kept off at 12 M. after him and at 4 P.M. we did raise a sail on the Starboard Bow as he was on the wind and we ran down across her stern but she never hauled aback nor was there any name on her that we could see. She was a Dark heavily built, ^{sent} boom rigged in a brass ball at Main royal mast head Life Boats painted Black except Starboard Boat which was white the ship painted Black and a white belt round her. She looked like a French built ship and was a very pretty one too. After passing her about a mile she kept off and is now following in our wake. We have whole Main Topsail and Foresail set and steering W by N. Wind is from about South. It is quite thick just now and I expect we will hear her as soon as it is dark though we have seen no Ice today excepting scattering pieces which are of no any account. We had a pretty tough time this morning furling the Foresail but then that is all in the voyage and the rigging is mostly clear of Ice as we have been at work with hammers knocking it off. No Observation of Ice.

Tuesday May 21st 1839

May 21st

We laid aboard five hours last night but kept off again at 4 AM. It was quite thick till 3 AM when it cleared up and has been so since nothing is sight this morning except the Sun which came out for two or three hours and he looked like an old friend and felt so too. Saw a Finback this afternoon and at 3 PM raised a sail on Starboard Bow steering same as ourselves. Our Course NW by W. the wind from SE. We have seen no Ice 10 days. Our Latitude at 10 AM 54° 51' North Longitude 45° 55' East.

Thursday.

May 22.

Two sail in sight this forenoon and at 1/2 past 10 we spoke the Ship Oregon Fairhaven Capt. They being her second season she got 800 bls. last season and this one has not seen a whale she has been to Jonas Island and left there last night - after speaking her Capt. Tobey came onboard and we kept off W by N. At 4 PM raised a ship on lee Bow and the wind hauled out SW. we are on the wind and are bound for the Ice we have seen some thirty flocks of wild geese today and any quantity of Ducks. I suppose we shall have to show the Oregon the road as we can beat her sailing which is doing something toward I tell you. Capt. Long returned on board his ship at 6 AM. and we took in Topgallant sails and hauled aboard for the night.

Monday

May 23.

There was Eight or Ten sail in sight this morning one of them hoiling. We have seen no Ice and no whales though one ship had four Boats down chasing some kind of a whale, I suppose a Bowhead. We saw some White Fish this forenoon. This afternoon killed two Wigs. The wind shifted during the day and we changed our course to SSW. we are steering for Big Shelter Island. and if the Ice is so that we can get in to the Bays I think we shall get some oil before another Month in the Sea. It has been quite clear till just at 6 PM when it shut in thick fog. we have had a snow storm every day for two weeks and now take it as a matter of course.

Thursday August 24th 1858.

Nov 24

Two sail in sight this morning we found the Ice last night by running into it but were ship and came out again all right. Two sail X boiling and all have been whaling during the day we saw the first Bowhead to day and are now laying aback expecting him to show himself our boats are all ready but I guess we shall not see him again to night - as it is getting foggy. We spoke the Thos. Dicksons Boat this afternoon. The Captain has just gone aboard the T. Dickson of the Strait a Cow & calf to try to that one but the line parted and they lost the cow. They hoisted the calf in whole the C. A. Men brought a Horse price aboard and it is about 4 inches thick with good blubber of black skin on the top of it. I have saved a small piece of it it being the thickest I ever saw - we saw the cow several times just after dark but it is too thick to lower. The Bark Oscar Mettewill has 3 Whales at this place all taken right here.

Wednesday

May 25th

Early this morning we saw a Whale turn flukes but have not seen him since at 3 P. M. the Capt. of the T. Dickson, Claskett came on board, we were then steering W along the edge of the Ice. They saw one whole this X morning. Mr. Cartwood even aboard of her and I with him it is the first time I have been since leaving Myzumi.

Mr. Carter gave me a piece of a Japanese Pear procured from Hakodate this morning it is of a sweet watery taste though very hard and coarse grained they are very near the shape and color of our Russet apple and biting it puts me in mind of the Pear tree between the house and Barn at home though it is not quite so hard as they are. We came on board at 2 P. M. and took in Topgallant sails for the night the wind is light and prospect good for a fair day tomorrow as we killed another Hays to day.

Lat. at 4 P. M. 33.38 N. Long. 142.34. Est.

The Carpenter Turned back today for the first time since he left himself

Thursday May 26th 1859

May 26

We were some distance from

X the Sea this morning looked ship at 11 A.M. and stood for it
 Land in sight bearing N. from us. Tahantia Island I
 suppose at 12 M raised a whale and lowered for him and
 after being down about the hours Mr. Cushman struck it was
 in the edge of the Ice the whale sounded deep but did not
 run any and when he came up Tim and I put four two
 Irons into him at the same time I shot a Bomb
 Lance into him and after giving him a few lines he went
 down and came up Tim out. We took him alongside
 at 3 P.M. and finished cutting at 4 P.M. It is my first
 watch on deck and we have to cut him in horse pieces
 and pitch him into the Blubber room

Friday

May 27

At 4 A.M. raised a whale

X and after chasing him three hours we came aboard
 the whale is all cut up and the decks cleared up at
 4 P.M. we raised more whales and after chasing
 them till 8 P.M. we came aboard and got our supper
 we came very near striking but did not quite
 fetch them but better luck next time there are
 four or five sail in sight one of them, bailing
 Land bearing about N.W. I should call it Fire
 Island or at Big Schanter

Saturday

May 28

At 4 1/2 A.M. we were

X called out for Whales but they were going quick to wind
 ward and we came on board at 6 and got breakfast and at 8
 we lowered three Boats and went into the Sea prospecting
 but did not see any thing. came on board for dinner and
 at 4 P.M. we raised a whale and lowered for him and the
 Oscar too but we soon came on board and the Old Man
 went Lanning on the Oscar he returned at sundown
 which was at 7 P.M. The Ice is very much scattered
 and I think the whales are nearer the Land which
 bears about N.W. from us. Five sail in sight one bailing
 the rest are great sinners

May 26th 1859. 55 46.



Sunday May 2nd 1851.

May 2nd

S.D.

May 2nd 1851
H.D.M.



Early this morning we
X lowered for a whale but did not get near him and
came aboard again. At 8 AM it raised another one the
L Boat lowered and after being down half an hour I took we
then lowered two more boats and went up to them. I put
in two in the whale and a lance in and he rolled Fin
and then having killed him with his Dons. We then
took him a little out of the ice and took him alongside and
in five hours cut him in and had him in the Blubber
room in three pieces all lanced and ready for Boiling and then
started the water again having cooled down to cut in we
had started the works at 4 PM. Two Sails in sight
Boiling

Monday

May 3rd

Today 12 Sails in sight. For the
morning we lowered for a whale and two boats got with
X in a Dart and a half but he knew us and got out of
the way. It was foggy about four or five hours but then cleared
up. Two Sails in sight. Nothing more of whales to day and have
had nothing to do but Boil. Our Whales are not very large and are
not going to make much over 100 bbls. but a good quantity of Bone.

Tuesday

May 3rd

It was foggy this morn-
ing but cleared up at 9 AM and thirteen Sails in sight
X five of them boiling. At a few minutes past 12
raised a whale and lowered for him but he went in
to the ice to windward and we came on board again.
We raised three of four whales after 4 o'clock but
they were all going quickly to windward and we did
not lower. Land in sight bearing W to W. The
Sea is very open between us and it and I think we
could make well into the Behan's but there are
Whales enough here if they were only still. Hope to be boiling
to day at 4 PM. and stow down tomorrow morning it
turns up 112 bbls. and is very nice white oil and a
large lot of Bone. Spoke Bark. Amazon Fairhaven 2 Whales.
Fairhaven had the first watch but this fore.

Wednesday June 1st 1839.

June 1st / Thirteen sail in sight
at daylight. but now there is only two some going
one way and some another. We have been stowing
down our fare of Oil we stowed 14 casks footing up
3304 Gallons equal to 104 bbls 28 Gallons. Three Tiers and some
in the Tank not reckoned - we finished stowing at
2 P.M. and at 3 raised a whale going quick to wind
lowered two Boats but he went into the Ice and they
came on board. Spoke the Wavelet today nothing.

Thursday.

June 2nd / We were all alone in our glory to
day no one in sight - and there has been no Bow
heads either. we have been scraping our Bone today
and drying it and stowed it down between decks in a tem-
porary pen. It has been hazy most part of the
day at 4 P.M. we raised two sail. The Old Man says we are
within 12 miles of Big Island though we have not
seen it today. we shifted our watches last night stand-
ing from 6 P.M. till 10 and soon Breakfast at 6 A.M. which
is some to early for the sun gets up at 3 and don't
set again till 9 P.M. Strauss has laid up with his
old complaint Saginep though he says it is pain in
his breast.

Friday

June 3rd / The Ice was justly well
broke up where we were this morning but heavier
to the Westward. We had sixteen sail in sight - today three
sailing and ^{one} a whale the Endeavor of B. We spoke the
Shp. Bowditch of Warren. Clear. She reports the Bark Kingfisher
One Whale, Capt. Palmer of the F.P. was drowned by the
Line taking him down the boat being capsized by the whale
he was all safe but seeing the After Oarsman foul of the line
he cleared him from it and put him on the Bottom of the
boat when the line caught him and took him down.
We lowered for Whales this afternoon but did not
strike. I saw Mr. Preslow today in a Boat of the Endeavor's
he was Second Mate of the Florida last voyage at least I took it as him.

Saturday June 4th 1838

June 4th

Just as we finished breakfast they raised a whale and we lowered down and after about 4 hours Mr. Cushman struck and in short made the haul and hauled and leaving for heavy ice we chased him until the ice stopped our going farther the whale being about a mile off in an open space we came aboard at 2 P.M. and got dinner and started after the whale again we got track of him and was gaining him fast when some one struck and drew and the whale came under our lee we swung off for him but he saw us just in time to save his hide for if he had come to top of the water I should have struck him. We got aboard the ship at 9 P.M. where they had been butchering two Blugs and Mr. Cushman had a new line coiled. We saw plenty of whales and all the ships in sight were whaling during the day. Dan is laid a wife a Sarsenger and Parfyer for takes his place in the Boat.

Sunday

June 5th

We have been one of the unlucky ones to day not having seen a haul though nearly all the ships in sight have been whaling at different times during the day I believe. none of them got a whale though one or two were fast to whales don't lost them.

Monday

June 6th

There were 21 sails in sight this morning being quite a fleet we spoke the Bark Lagoda she has three whales making her 430 bbls of oil the was fast and lost a line yesterday the Oregon lost three lines to one whale yesterday. We saw the Bark J.P. West got a whale this A.M. and spoke her at 5 P.M. it makes her third whale the Old Man went aboard of her and he has not come back for while I was writing this they raised a whale and we are now running for him and I expect every minute to be called to lower it is now 1 P.M. The wind is from the S. 9 P.M. The Boathhead that they raised has turned out to be a Muske Digger and we haveuffed to far the night. Big Spar is on board the California so Capt. Link states. Lat. 56th Long. 142nd E

Tuesday June 1st 1837

June 1st

We have been beating about among the Ice that have seen now-hals several ships have lowered and the Ed. Howland Williams got a whale this morn and is now cutting another Boat to windward has a whale the Ed. Howland calls her the Amazon. At 6 PM the Old man went on board the Oregon, she was gambling with the Ship killed a Bullwhale at the time: they have not got a Boat yet now 9 P.M. Lat. 56. 10 Long. 142. 30 East.

Wednesday

June 2nd

As nothing of any account has happened I shall make a two days work of it. No whales excepting some Black Trampuses. The Ice is very near gone where we are though it looks heavy to the South, of us two or three Ships have got whales to it.

Thursday

June 3rd

It has been beautiful weather today with the exception of about 4 hours when it was thick fog. we have seen no whales to day other ships in sight have lowered but I don't think they have seen anything. I saw the Janus this morn' 11 o'clock. During the fog the ships were firing guns and blowing Horns for their Boats that were to the windward in the Ice Prospecting. There is a small Schooner in sight A Tender to some ship I suppose.

At 6 PM the Old man went on board the Thomas Age and has not come back yet now 8 PM the Age is boiling there are 24 Sails in sight Eight of them boiling a pretty good piece of Steak it and a considerable number of Clippers among the number.

10 P.M. the Boat has just returned the Age has one whale she got him yesterday she has seen whales every day seeing one today and many I suppose we shall go prospecting in the morning that is one of our hardships to go sailing about among the Ice all the year. At home you have to pay for your boat but ours is free but then you don't have to kick your shins to keep them warm.

Friday June 10th 1851.

June 10th

At night after the Albatross came on board we kept the ship off before the wind, starting at 7th this morning when we hauled up a cable of point to NW. and have been steering so all day. The Ice was out of sight this morning but we saw a few sails astern. We have a good breeze from NW. and all sail set even to Topmast Mainmast. and I suppose that we shall raise land tomorrow. I expect we are bound for the land a little above Pan. and then run to the Northward along the land.

Lat at 4 P.M. 36.53 North. Long. 141.33 East.

We raised the Land at 9 P.M. bearing NW from us.

Saturday

June 11th

At one this morning it was nearly calm and at 2th the wind hauled round to NE. and a heavy bank of fog came rolling up accompanied with considerable wind so much that we took in the Light sails and doubled reefed the Topsails. It has been thick all day with short intervals of partially clear weather. The land is not in sight and we have been standing off and on so as to run in tomorrow, if it clears up. The wind is light and we have Main Top Gallant sail on the ship. It still holds in the NE. and we may have a blow from there yet. I have just read the above over and it makes me laugh to think how well it is mixed up but I can't help it I write whatever comes into my head without stopping to connect them together and I find that in many places that the sense of it is very much confused or else entirely lost but I started this for Mother and the rest of the folks and if they ever take the pains to read it it will be most likely when I am at home and can tell them anything that does not appear all right.

I have got so that I consider writing up my journal as a regular job not to be forgotten for in fact I begin to really like to write down these little things as it seems to carry me nearer home and I believe I am nearer home by doing it.

June 12

Sunday June 12th 1837

We stood in towards the land till within four or five miles when we tacked and stood off shore the wind from N. E. and fine weather but we are so far from shore that I don't expect to see whales. we are going in the same way along here and by the way the Captain says I should think he considered it as the only place where whales could be found along here however we shall see what we shall and no more.

The has hauled ahead when we were off shore and now we are in a worse position as regards the land than we were this morning. Lat. 41° 38' 12" N. Long. 141° 22' E.

Monday

June 13

The wind hauled round during the night and we have been running before the wind. Spent the night steering N. E. about ten or fifteen miles from the land it has been a beautiful day the only trouble being there is so much of it for it was so light last night that you could read any common print on deck for we tried it and the light was plenty though I suppose not very good for the eyes. The Captain says that we shall be right on the spot where the whales are if the wind holds good tomorrow. I hope so far it is dull times now nothing seen for two weeks nearly and it will be God send to see a Whale.

Tuesday

June 14

We laid aback last night till three A. M. when we lowered for some whales. I told the Captain they were Devilfish but he thought they might be Bowheads and we did not want to wait too long as there was a Barky close to that came in sight this morning after being down a couple of hours we came on board again and commenced running to the Eastward the other ship was going to the Southward along the land. The Mate and Second Mate lowered the boat a Devilfish and while they were down it came in foggy and has been so all the remainder of the day. We are off the coast of the City but that has not helped us any yet as we get no nearer to the land than fifteen miles.

Wednesday June 13th 1839

June 13

It has been thick all day so that we could not see over a mile or so. The wind light from the ~~E~~ we are working along to the Eastward slowly but it does us no good as we keep the land so far off there is no hopes of seeing whales excepting California Tups and they are no good but they have been plenty in sight all day. Our sight for Oil is thin if we work as we have for the past week one day going to this place and the next going to something and in the end reaching nothing.

Thursday

June 14

This morning at 10 o'clock we raised the land and soon after saw a Ship lying to anchor near a high bluff that forms the western side of Kade Lake bay we went on board of her she was the Marea of New Bedford with two Right Whales they said they had seen no whales but I don't believe it as it is one of the failings of Whalersmen that they will lie if it is for their own interest. We returned aboard the Mote having got up our Larboard Chain and the Anchor ready we spoke to the Quincimatta of Stonington, Williams. He persuaded the Old Man to come here so at 12 M. we let go in 12 fathoms anchor a little to the westward of the Marea who took her anchor and ran to the westward. We sent the Mote and Second Mote in along the shore but saw no whales they came aboard at 8 P.M. when we took our Anchor and standing to the eastward we furled everything and it seems as if the Old Man was not satisfied if he can't find work for every man he does his best anyway. But I don't care for that if it is only needed I am always ready to do my share but needless work it does make me so mad I have hard work to keep myself out of a row and I certainly should be in of one of the Officers were not good men and the Old Man a Coward for I believe he would like to give me a thrashing if it was not that two always play a villain.

Friday June 17th 1839

June 17th

We sent in the Leeward and other boats for them to explore Foul Bay. The old man saying it was only 3 miles but we found it was a good 20 if not more and just looked into it and then commenced putting aboard we pulled 13 miles and got aboard the ship at 8 PM. and turned in for all night below. Just at the entrance of the Bay I saw a Bowhead and took my jacket thinking to strike him but he went down and none of the rest seeing him the Mate said I saw a Id but was a Bowhead for certain. While we were off they killed two seals and my ^{are} only for their skin. In the past we killed having been left hanging up till they were green round their eyes and their ears.

Saturday

June 18

I turned out this morning at 6 AM having had ten hours below and slept it all but about fifteen minutes which was doing pretty well. We have a new arrangement of the watches the Boat crews being in their own watches. It has been raining a little all day and about half thick we stood along the shore till the wind hauled to the N E when we Tacked and are now heading off shore toward SE. We expect the Ship Martha of Fairhaven, Manchester, Twenty or out 300 of whale taken on New Zealand coming from home. She was on Kodiak last season and never saw a whale but twice. She has been in to Foul Bay and says there are no whales there and from appearances though they are deceiving I expect that we shall merely go in for a day or two then off for some other part of the sea and in my opinion it is the wisest way to burn a season that could be thought of.

The Mate lately seems as though he did not care whether he got anything or not.

Sunday June 1st 1859

June 1st

We had Topgallant sails out this morning when we came on deck but at last we were under Double reefed Topsails it is not blowing hard but it is quite thick and a very heavy swell from the Eastward. From flying rumors I suppose we are bound to the Wood Ground but the Lord knows I suppose for it is certain that the Old Man don't know for certain. I believe that he is fast losing what little sense he did have and that was not a great quantity. We stowed down the loose cable but did not do any more to the Anchor than to put a preventer to it.

Monday

June 2^d

The Wind has been light and varied from N.E. to E. we have been up the Wind all day and the word is Bound for the Wood Ground Right or Left. We took the Anchor on the bow & had have not unhooked the Chain the Old Man saying we should want to use it in a few days. I think that the Officers are pretty near ready if not quite to give up all Idea of getting away this season. The Old Man never pretends to say where he is bound so more to the Officers than to the Foremast hands and tries to make himself as disagreeable as he possibly can. The weather is thick and no matter how Dan is laid up with a pain in his breast he has complained of it from Desolation and laid up once or twice before with it.

Tuesday

We have been running before the wind all day. Starting S by E it has been rather thick all day though we have had no heat all day but saw nothing though Mr. Bessie. allowed we should see that this morning at 6 P.M. took in the Topgallant sails but are still running the wind is increasing and I think we will make out to have a gale. Dan is no better & I hope Big Bill laid up last night and the Old Man gave him an Emetic and I reckon he wants Ayer much more for he really is sick. once he has played it about twenty times before when any extra hard work was to be done.

Wednesday June 22nd 1839.

It was quite foggy this morn
but cleared at about 7 AM and at 12 AM raised
Eight Whales and covered away three Boats and the
Mate being first boat down struck, the whales
not going down from the time we covered till he
was down. It was a Cow and Calf. Mr. Cushman fastened
to the Calf and the lines getting paid he cut and after
struck the Calf instead of the Cow as he intended.
We put two Bomb. Lances into the Cow and two Bombs
and killed the Calf with another Bomb. The Mate put
three Bombs into the Cow and at last killed her. The
other Boats were at one time loose and we all alone.
We took the whale alongside at 5 PM and commenced
to cut we are still cutting. Our Latitude today was
36.18 N. Longitude 150.55 W.

Thursday

We finished cutting this
morning at 4 1/2 And all hands turned in except Bessy
and at 8 AM turned out for Breakfast. I take it that
you folks at home would think it was hard times if you
got three hours sleep out of 24 for I took one on turn
to shift myself being wet to my nest it was my over-
board and I went over ten or twelve times and it was
rather cold work up in this country however I
am all right I have been rigging my boat and
cutting blubber all day till now 6 PM. It is my
watch below for 6 hours. The whale is a very large one
but is poor and won't make much oil. The Calf after
floating 4 or 5 hours sunk so Mr. Cushman said when he
came aboard yesterday that it won't go down I suppose
they cut and let him go adrift he won't have made
15 blb I think but he won't now at least for us.
I am rather sleepy and this must do for the present
I think. Another Mr. Martin there Mr. Eastman
and I think the whale Dan still being laid up
and will be I suppose. The Old Man is doctoring him
for Liver Complaint.

LB

W.B. Cushman June 22nd 1839

A towed 100 lbs.

June 23

Friday June 24th 1839

June 24th

We started our overboard at 10 this morning and was till noon sailing away and the whale was making sea, but enough to boil himself. There is so much water in the blubber it cools a good deal and when it comes of there is only a few third full. We fill up again. We saw a sail ahead running to the south but on seeing our smoke he luffed for us and at 8 A.M. spoke us as the Bark Hercules Capt. Latham. 1400 last season, clear for this having seen whales but twice the season. we gammed all day that is the state of the weather running N.E. at 6 P.M. Hauled on the wind and gave up gamming. Latitude 36.07 N. Longitude 131.14 W.

Saturday

June 25th

It has been thick fog all day and we saw nothing to do but wait. The whale is going to make more oil than we thought as it all try out and I think we shall raise 100 lbs out of him if not more. I have not much to write today so here goes for a good sleep.

Sunday

June 26th

It was thick this morning till 6 o'clock when it cleared up beautiful and has been so all day. There is very little wind the ship heading first on one tack and then the other. We saw some Spermbacks this forenoon and at 2 P.M. raised a sail and have been nearing each other all the afternoon but I guess the old Man can't raise a gam tonight.

Monday

June 27th

We commenced to break out for stowing down. we finished boiling last night in the first watch. at 6 A.M. the Capt. of the Bark Gazada came on board and remained some time he bought 9 barrels of Oil and came after it just at night. We have finished stowing down our Stowage. 102 lbs and 13 Gallons, and are now all ready for another. we run off S.W. by N. today but where bound for I can't say there is a good breeze and fine weather. Our Latitude 36.42

June 28.

Wednesday.

June 29th

At 4 this morning we raised
a whale I called Na Bombhead and lowered for him but did
not see him after we lowered. After Breakfast, sight of
SW a Bark on our Port Beam with 4 Boats down and at
W 1/2 N we lowered for three whales which were going quick
to the S. we hauled but after being down a short time the
Whales pointed to the windward and we came on board.
We hauled on the wind heading N 1/2 E. wind from SE. but
have seen nothing more the bark went out of sight
on the other tack it has been beautiful weather
and we have been drying Bone and stored it in
the Fore Hold. Latitude 45. 11 36/12 N Long. 150. 58 East.
P. M.

Richard L.

day and the sun out hot and so warm that jackets
 were a superfluous article. At 12.00 we raised Rig 1 - whaler
 and lowered for them and after a while Mr. Cushman struck
 the Calf and then I fastened to the Caw and after a little
 time Mr. Cushman got a Leance at him and killed him
 the Old Man came from the ship and we got both
 Whales alongside at about 1 P.M. and after Fluking them
 we set Boat crew watches till 2 A.M. tomorrow when we
 shall cut him in. The Caw spouted 10 or 12 loads of
 any whale I ever saw she was spouting for 10 hours
 thick as Tar. They both floated good and in the weather
 holds fine as there is every prospect of being we shall
 have them cut in. The Sargada is in sight.

From 130 Mts.



July 1st 1839

The weather was quite thick till
morning 12 and I finished nothing till 10 AM
and got breakfast at 11 PM. we loaded the cargo
the crew and there was a large quantity of blubber and it
is pretty good I think they will rise 10 cents.
At 6 PM we had the watch and started the works at 4 PM
The East Longada struck and got a whale this after
noon and took him alongside at about 5 PM.

It is foggy at 4 PM and is very thick. I have a crew
of 12 men and 1000 lbs of blubber and 1000 lbs of oil and
they go on deck so enough of that.

Friday

July 2nd

It was quite thick till
seven this morning when it cleared up enough
to send out to the Masthead but have seen nothing.
Last night at a few minutes before 12 a right whale
was alongside the ship and getting sight of her he left
in a hurry and we heard his whistling for a half an hour
afterwards. There is very little wind and the fog is not
thick enough to hinder our boiling any. The whale are
turning oil just pretty well and our pipes is ready and
I am ready for it. We will try to get it by.

Saturday

July 3rd

The weather has been
good for boiling though not clear enough to see a great
distance. We saw some killers this morning going
to the Eastward and at 12 M we backed ship and got under.
We are rather short of casks to put the oil into
and have run several casks full into the Starboard
Tank. The Port one is unfit for use the bottom or
the place where the hose screws into having fell out and
we cannot fix it till we get the blubber clear of the Main Stacks
we have nearly all turned up now and plenty of it left.
They are just singing and for a while on the weather beam but
we don't know what he is yet. Our whale is nothing but
a mass of oil. Log book 3552 V. Log book 15139 (Vol. 104)

Monday July 4th 1837

July 4th

It has been clear all day but now
 B. M. it commenced to rain a little. The wind is from SW
 and we are working to the Westward. We have seen nothing
 but some Killers and there is any quantity of them and
 I suppose they have drove the whales away. We are celebrating
 the Fourth by boiling our whale and our regular beans for
 dinner I should like to know how all the folks are
 celebrating though I suppose they are burning gunpowder
 or listening to some very patriotic Oration & spread himself
 on the Universal Bankruptcy well I hope they are
 enjoying themselves and I should like to be too but it
 is the fortune of war I suppose. The Cook says that supper
 is ready and it is my Masthead so I can't moralize any more
 on this the Fourth of July Lat 36.06 N. Long. 157.06 W. 10.00 AM.

Tuesday

July 5th

We commenced breaking out to
 slow down at 4 AM and started off work at 9 PM and have
 stowed only 16 barrels of oil. we have worked hard enough
 to stow five hundred more. we are short of casks to stow in
 not having a dry cask to put the Breckland water in
 the Riding Lier into I suppose we have another
 day of it tomorrow as we have left everything up & only
 we shall have to put up shacks for an hour or two
 if we are lucky enough to catch one I feel of it
 near as tired as though I had been at home running
 round at the Fireworks or some such place

Wednesday

July 6th

The first thing this
 morning we ran the Cat or drab in to the Tank and
 after breakfast run it below and stowed back the
 empty casks and crates and the Bread between Decks
 and coopers it there was 3 pipes of it. We then broke
 out the After head Stowage side and returned it finishing
 off at 3 PM. It was thick till 3 when it cleared off
 a couple of hours but I think we were now however
 we have boatswain to night and have ten hours left. There
 are two of the Boat crew laid up Dan & Fred! Fred caught cold going
 overboard on the whales Altogether they stow 153 1/2 bbls.

Thursday July 7th 1859.

July 7th

Today it has been good clear weather. The wind from S.E. we are steering to the S.E.ward as the Starbuck it is a fine breeze but there is a heavy head sea which makes her pitch rather too much for comfort especially at the Masthead.

We have been picking over the potatoes in the fore hold and taking their place for a Bone-penave. have a good quantity of it and of good quality though we have lost most all our Broad Bone. We have potatoes enough to last three months which is a great blessing for we shall certainly starve between the Old Star and the Cook when they are gone but then always look on the bright side is my motto that is when I can. The wind has been from E. today and our course for the night is S.E. Lat 44 deg 45' N Long 133 54 East

Friday

July 8th

It has been a fine day all clear to day but have seen nothing interesting till noon when the wind hauled to S.E. and we backed heading to the Eastward. We have been scraping Bone to day and have finished it but could not dry it as it was raining.

Saturday

July 9th

It has been the best day we have had for a week though now very foggy. At half past eleven we raised a Right whale going queer to the windward and in an hour after raised two more pinning and lowered for them and Mr. Eastwood struck the Bull and got two ears. Broke with his fluke and very near capsized but at last had the pleasure of being tacked out in the Country which served him right for he made Mr. Carter Luff too and let him go when it was our chance. He saved his credit by the first parting when he was nearly out of sight of the ship to windward. Had struck the whale. The wind from S. we have been steering East all day but got no observation to day.

July 1859 from Starbuck

Direct to Starbuck

Lat 44

at 4 P.M. Lat 44 55 33 N Long 133 55 East

Monday July 16th 1839

July 18th

This was been a first ice day and a good breeze from S. we sailed our boat today and at 10 am plenty of Flat Seal about 12 P.M. but no sails in sight at 4 P.M. I raised right whales three or four in sight we lowered and one whale went under our boat three times and at length got satisfied with going under us he showed his head up right abreast the Bow Bar. and laid there for five times in water he did not mind putting his nose and Mr. Carter tried me to try him in his Trip so I dived my first from against his lip and he showed his head under the boat and I darted the second Iron in the bunch of his neck but I lack blubber did not get fast with either I never saw a whale mind a boat till he never straightened or kicked. Mr. Carter told me he did not blame me for I had no chance to get fast. I returned at 4 P.M. 55.22 N. Longitude 152.02 East.

Monday 17

Clear weather and wind from South at 6 AM raised right whales and lowered Mr. Custer got on to one but he saw him time enough to save his whale came on board and lowered again for other whales and I got ready and thought I was going to have a chance but he saw us in time it is about fifteen minutes after the last struck another whale but the whale seeing him he only got one from a little and drew taking out about half his Big Tub. In course of another hour we lowered for whales and Mr. Carter went right alongside of one and I showed two of us into him solid and the line parted having out nearly all the Big Tub. There was no strain on the line of any account but it was not made good. We chased the whale for two hours he was kicking good but at length went off. I coiled my line down and lowered again and got alongside of a whale but he saw us and kicked I tried him but he was too far off. We soon after came on board and got supper, and are going to try them tomorrow again. There were twenty different whales in sight in 10 days.

Tuesday July 12th 1837

July 12th

It was rainy and thick, this morning till eight AM when it cleared up somewhat. We had 14 whales round us this morning at 4 AM it was thick, the Old Man wouldn't lower for fear the Boats would lose the ship but raised whales at 9 AM and lowered. Mr. Eastwood got within one sprouting of them but they were on the lookout we came on board and lowered for the same gam at 4 PM. The Mate killed them again then we came on board and got supper and took in sail for the night. The wind was from SW to day. The Old Man gave Ben a red head in the head but not turn out and give him a drink.

Wednesday.

July 13th

The weather has been clear though it is thick overhead the wind has been from about S to day we saw a whale this morning going quick to the windward at ten AM raised whale and at half past 12 lowered and Mr. Cushman went on to him and the whale seeing him slackened his blubber and they did not get fast (Fired) the whale slewed round and roused up under the Boat and capsized her we picked the crew and stuff up and the mate coming we righted the boat and hailed her out and came on board there was no damage done except the Mast broke and Sprally lost his Jack. Sawt. Cap. we saw more whales on last run of them we have been running of till 8 PM when we luffed to the wind and took in sail.

Thursday

July 14

The wind was out from the Southward to day and we worked to the Northward till 4 PM when the wind shifted to East and our course was then we commenced breaking out for Shooks at 12 AM and have not finished now. The mark is 81 W. we found 3 bundles but the fourth we did not find. The Starboard watch is slowing back now. It is raining and a pretty strong breeze now. No whales seen today here and for the night S by W.

Friday July 13th 1857

July 13

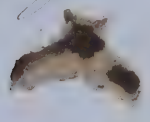
July 13th 1857. Mr. Martin's Room. Church.



At five this morning they raised a right whale but it was too thick to land after breakfast he was right alongside of the ship he did not mind her a bit at 9 AM I cleared off and three whales in sight we lowered and Mr. Eastwood struck one and I fastened to him second boat Mr. Carter shifted ends and gave the whale a bomb lance and his lance and set him sporting that he killed him the first lance. Mr. Eastwood fired two bomb lances into him and lanced the whale two or three times which hurt him. I think at any rate he turned up on top of water and then sunk and held him till Mr. Eastwood drew and my shortwarp parted and we had the whale nearly if not quite stopped. Then it was a noble large whale and would have made 150 bbl at least. we saw another at 2 PM but he was going like a horse to the S it came in thick and rainy at 4 PM and it was rather a bad look for fair weather tomorrow.

Saturday

July 14th



Last night we saw a seal pupus and this morning at 6 AM being clear we raised her again and at 8 AM the Old Man went on board of her and we have been jamming all day it is the Logoda Capt. Willard she has one whale beside the one we saw her cutting the two make her 100 bbl this season with her bowhead. She has not seen whales for ten days but we saw one this afternoon but he was going quick to the S. E. it has been thick all day except for a hour or two. Our course to night is S. W. She reports the Whm. Parker 100 bbl whales this season.

Sunday

July 15th

It rained nearly all night but cleared off in the forenoon and remained so till about 4 PM when it shut in thick we saw seven or eight whales to day there has been a very little wind and most of the time we were going round and round the Logoda in sight it has seen the same as yesterday they got the same this morning but I don't know what the latitude is but think about 35. North.

Monday July 15th 1858

It as usual rained nearly all night and part of the morning but at 10 AM cleared off and raised two sails and soon after saw Whales and lowered for them Dan going in his boat the first time for a month or more there was scarcely any wind and the whales were rather shy we chased them till about 3 PM when we came on board the ship when Parker was chasing whales close to us we saw six or seven whales when we got on board we had to stop the Center Bobstay one of the composition links being parted we shackled it with a small shackle which I suppose we will have to fleet with another soon.

The Co. & Steamer came on board of us for a few minutes they got a whale on Saturday the 16th. The Cooper has been sitting up. Sharks today there is nothing more to write except that it has set in for another rainy night as usual Latitude 54.42 North Long. 131.30 East at 4 PM.

Tuesday

July 17th

It was half way clear for a while this morning and it clearing off again about ten am we raised the John Parker just taking a whale along side we saw a whale going quite to windward but it soon thickened up again and it is now giving us our regular dose of rain finished sitting up sharks at last for the present. The Porpoise in sight we saw some killers just at night.

Wednesday

July 20th

At Lin this morning it cleared off and has remained so since the sun being out for two hours. The John Parker was hauling the Longest spoke and we had a short game she struck a whale yesterday but lost him spouting blood by the Irons breaking and drawing we got a small shackle for our Bobstay from her. The wind is from West and we ran off SE till noon and then lulled to the wind on the Starboard tack, but have seen nothing it has been the best day we have had for this long time. I expect we shall soon have ^{some} accident see whales. Latitude 54.22 North Long. 133.00 East at 4 PM.

Thursday July 2 P.M. 1858.

July 21

We had a calm, nearly all night but at 6 AM a fine breeze sprang up from SE and we hoisted off at 10 AM all sail set and at 1 PM we for raised a dead whale when we lowered the Bow Boat and went to him we found his bone gone but the blubber still good. It is a small whale a calf the Allen Barker last last Saturday we took him along side and laid him in and commenced to bail at 11 PM. he had 6 rows in him and about 600 lbs of blubber. He will probably make about 3000 lbs being a pretty good sized calf. It came on to blow quite strong and at 1 PM we reefed the Main topsail and furled everything else and worked down the works the rain preventing our bailing.

Friday.

July 22

We have nothing to do today as it still blows hard and is thick at 2 AM we luffed the ship to windward on the Starboard Tack and are patiently waiting for the weather to clear up we have our blubber in one of the Tunks.

Saturday.

July 23

We started the Muzz this morning at Six and the weather has been moderating through the day and we now have sail on the ship it has been clear but is now foggy our whale will make some rather black oil and precious little of it at that but then everything is for the best. Though it is rather hard to believe sometimes we shall finish bailing to night. Our course today has been West and the wind holds from about S by N. Latitude 42° 16' 35" N Longitude 132° 32' E.

Sunday

July 24

We made all sail this morning Steering N by W the wind from N by E as thick as you could wish we have had several courses through the day but it is W by N now the wind about the same it cleared up for a few minutes this afternoon and I saw a Right Whale going to the Eastward it shot in and we saw him no more I suppose we are leaving him for the Boys but don't tell as yet.

Dead Whale 3 from Allen Barker



Monday July 23rd 1837.

July 23

We have a light air from almost East and are steering N.W. we are bound for Santa Bay. At night our present breeze it will be some months before we reach. This morning we captured five crabs and dumped the oil into them the Scares are 174, 163, 162, 160 and one 118 nearly full I don't know whether we shall store them in these or hear run them below at present they are lashed on deck. It is thick yet and I expect that it will remain so here for the remainder of the season we raised a Torrey to day and called him a whale but he flew off so we didn't catch him. Killed a Hog this afternoon.

Tuesday

July 24

The wind is from East our course N.W. it is a fine breeze and a little before noon it cleared off and has been clear since it is now a fine weather but there is no whale here and I expect not to see any till we get inside of Cape Elizabeth there is Drumm for you. To day I spliced my boat mast and put a cloth along the foot of the sail it makes a raising before now Mr. Carter got cloth of the Steward and made a new gib but had to ask the Old Man for a piece to finish it with and Mr. Cushman got a piece to put on the foot of his sail too I am going to have a Boom to haul gib back down to and if our mast only stands the pressure well have the Old Boat flying. Had to must knock off as Dan is singing out for me to come and look at his hole and plaster it up for him he has as many as ever Father had but then I tell him that they are not quite as large. Latitude 12 N. 33.22 N. Longitude 149.55 East.

Wednesday

July 25

The wind holds good and steady our course is N by E the weather has been cloudy all day and for a short time it was foggy but is clear now we saw some Finbacks to day going to the Eastward but little good do they do us. We have no whale to day but I expect we are in 147 and ought to get to Santa Bay this week certain.

Thursday July 28th 1859

July 28

We have not had much wind to day so it has been clear and foggy by turns as usual we have seen some Finbacks and along in the afternoon I saw a Shark about 15 ft long he was alongside the ship for fifteen minutes and I had a good look at him the rest would hardly believe it was a shark saying they never saw one so far north though they are sometimes seen in the Southern part of this sea where I have seen them myself. we have neared the Land considerably being only Eighty miles from Cape Elizabeth at three P.M. our Latitude was 33° 05' North Longitude 74° 50' East.

Friday

July 29

During the night we had light breeze but there has been scarcely any through the day but a strong current running it is thick overhead but we can see a pretty good distance at N.W. raised land bearing from W by N to S.W. the current is setting us toward it pretty fast we got up both cables and bent them and got the Eastward anchor off the bow we took out the small Buoys of line as we should want but one Buoy in the Boat here the Land is Cape Elizabeth and if we don't have more wind then we have now we shall never get into the Bay.

Saturday

July 30

We have had no wind at all till this afternoon then it is not much account the Land is in sight and we must be sweeping along with the Tide first one way and then another. it has been thick all day though the sun has been in sight all day. Dr. Vail has been giving the Officers a lecture on Scurvy that is. McBurnism and over his shoulders all the others though it is seldom that any of them do much in that line but then we were had a groans with them for this long time. By our fine weather casts we shall undoubtedly have the pleasure of leaving the sea with 300 lbs for our report

1839
Tuesday July 31st 1839.

July 31st

Then once more we have at length got around Cape Elizabeth last night a light breeze sprang up from North and at daylight hauled round to N.E. it was clear enough to see a couple of miles and we saw a few schools of Devil Fish just after breakfast and the Old Man told Mr. Carter to lower down and try them we were down about an hour and after getting my trons in my hand twice we came aboard again they were awful shy at N.W. cleared off bright the Land, plain light in our lee beam steering West, which is our course now and with a fair Wind and Tide I hope to get there tomorrow.

Monday

August 1st

Our good breeze left us in the lurch again and we had a dead calm till ten o'clock when a breeze came from the Southward but left us again before night we have gained a little however we put an end to another of our Hogs today and have but two left now and I hope they won't be long.

Tuesday

August 2nd

We were lucky enough to raise another breeze last night and this morning at 6 we were about 20 miles from our old Island and one Sail in sight steering to the Eastward we spoke her the Junior of N.B. One whale I believe she left Shantar Bay this morning they saw plenty of whales but they were very wild The Fleet has done pretty fair for an average at this time in the season The reports the Florida in her with 3 whales I don't believe it though we made a short gam and she kept away again The hawker had a whid but is fast dying away. We found a new shoal in our bows and set V up this afternoon and the clock of the weather is now favoring us with a fair wind we have just took in Topgallant sails and expect to be there in the morning if and that stands in the way the breeze don't fail us.

Wed. day August 3rd 1859

August 3rd

With his usual good sense the Old Man luffed the ship to the wind last night with Main yard aback and Round Island within five miles plain sight and the consequence is that we saw the Land at breakfast time and have not seen it since being nearly calm all day we have been drifting wherever the tide takes but at slight breeze backing up from W. and brought a thick fog over to N. so I suppose we shall get in the Bays when the wind and tide forces us in and not much wonder for the Old Man has not got flack enough in him to do it himself. It is not the man I was led to expect from the conversation of Mr. Carter who was with him last voyage and has always ^{said} he was not afraid of the Land or Sea but I think different. I had just turned in when they called out to take in sail and bring the ship back. As we are in 22 fathoms water we expect we are outside still though 25 fathoms water is not found far from some Land. We furled all sail and shall lay by the Landward Tacks with W. by.

Thursday

August 4th

The first thing this morning we rose to get and broke out water Sugar and other necessaries of life, then we broke out the bottom deck for 4 bundles of shacks we wanted to make out the three Cakes of Head we had stowed we found 3 of them and stowed back again. This afternoon we have nothing to do at 3 P.M. the fog cleared off and we are off the head of Potters Bay about 10 miles from the land. I don't know any one else know how we got there but it is so and our good fortune I think would have brought us far after the Land was plain in sight it was an hour before the Old Man could make out where he was and he has been here three or four seasons. I know where we were as soon as I saw the Head lands of Potters Bay and I never was here but three weeks before in the old Lancaster but I am a wide child as every one knows. The Ship Phoenix of Sancho had was lost on Clav Island the crew wintered there also and the Coast was last before being of service has been found as yet by our last last season after the fleet left the Bays.

Monday August 8th 1854

August 8th

I have not had time to

write up before as we have the Shepard and his boat
started on a prospecting excursion up Mercury Bay in
the morning of the 5th but we went in to the Whiting
Head and from there we sailed and pulled completely
round the Bay, we never even saw a spot or sign of
any white fish. We can get ashore two nights and
aboard yesterday at five o'clock and found the
ship under weigh and a whale alongside it was a dead
one they picked up he had a spear in him but the Mate
said they had no marks on them and did not let anyone
else look at them but threw them overboard which
was the best thing he could do as there was a ship and boat
in sight and he might have been theirs. He had two
bars in his back the lashings slipped off the scalp and
was lost we got him in and commenced boiling this
morning at 4 o'clock he will make 50 bbls I think,
as we came out ward we let go anchor and are
now riding with 60 fathoms but it is blowing pretty hard
and I expect we shall have to give her more chain I have
a lot of things to write of my experiences in the last few
days but the Mate has given me no time to do it in
They saw a Bochead from the ship yesterday morning before
daylight but have seen no more.

Tuesday

August 9th

This morning we finished
boiling our whale he turned up 60 bbls of pretty good oil
as soon as we had breakfast we hoisted up anchor and
started for Wharfed Bay sending Mr. Eastwood and Mr. Martin
round Taylor Bay but the wind being baffling we have
not got there yet. The boats will stop ashore tonight
and we are going to anchor outside of the Kell Lake
it is now almost Ebb tide and we are to keep under
way. At P. M. we saw a ship and anchored and pulled the
sail for the night and I expect we shall take the
tide in to the Bay in the morning.

Wednesday August 10th 1859.

August 10th 1859

WB. Part of the morning.

August 11th 1859

August 12th 1859

August 13th 1859

We sailed at 5 o'clock this morning at 5 o'clock there being no wind we tarried her from here at noon and then left the anchor again. after dinner we raised a sail coming out of Shant. But the old man went on board of her and stayed till night. It was the "Helen Snow" by AB She has 18000 lbs of sperm. She was born for Bother Head for two hundred lbs all she has cast for the ships in Shant. have some of them in the last ten days. Not 800 lbs. there were plenty of whales there she saw two this morning. We stowed some of our oil in the Port Tank.

Thursday

We have just got on board this morning at 9 o'clock and started on a cruise. Thursday and Friday are night in the boat and last night we saw a large black where Blacksmith took it in his head that he would have and we have not heard of him yet. Mr. Cushman struck a whale Thursday evening and parted his throat. We helped him and anchored him off the end of Little Shant. and during the night the anchor was parted and we have lost the whale. The old man got under weigh and came into the bay this morning and he has just seen a ship cutting a Stinker. I suppose our whale. I can't keep my journal regular now as I have no time.

Friday

This is the first chance I have had to write since the 4th. We have been off in the boat or else working in the cut and I have not had any more than six hours sleep and half the time was that Mr. T. and I struck and got a whale on the 13th and cut him on the 14th. I started at 10 o'clock with water on the 14th in the cut but did not reach him till next day I fastened to a post and told the 15th between the Shant and Bear Island and out line in we started the works Thursday morning and Mr. Cushman brought another whale alongside just before dark that he had off the coast.



Monday August 18 1857

Sept 18

... out of the fishermen who about the
18 the seal did not leave for two days after it taking
all hands to take care of the ship though we should
have had two hands in the water all the time plenty
of whales in sight all the time. We stowed down 136 bls
the 20th and 21st the 22nd we finished baling
the 23rd at midnight. Mr. Cashman got on to a boat
and left and sold the seal to the crew at the
cave and the seal too far off got fast together.
We took our anchor the yesterday morning and came
to an anchor under Washington head at 5 P.M. Stowing
down the Bone and 39 bls of oil. A blizzard
hard last night but it is good weather now three boats have
gone up the Bay prospecting we saw whales when we
came out of the Gut. The Captain does not
work for oil and is, no man for a voyage as we would
have had more art than we have now and the officers
are discouraged and don't try to catch it.

Tuesday

Sept. 2nd

We are now under weigh off the
Isle we left Monday day yesterday. We got a raft of 11
casks of water last Monday and stowed it below
the boats returned from up the bay and reported
plenty of whales on Tuesday took our anchor and went
nearly up to the Sand Spit and saw plenty of whales
Wednesday we saw plenty of whales but saw none
yesterday morning because we didn't look for them
There were five ships in the bay. I don't know
what we are going to do but expect that the
fifteenth of this month will see us on our way
for the Sandwich Islands for my part I cannot
be any too soon for I am heartily tired of this
season and if I can procure my discharge will
leave the ship but I shan't run away unless
something new turns up. I think the Captain
is going to leave and I believe I can make that a
man give me my discharge but we shall see.

Saturday September 3^d 1858

Sep 3^d

We took the anchor this morning at 10 o'clock. I have not mentioned where we are going but that is of not much account. The boat has been out all day except a short time this morning when Mr. Cushman went off for a short cruise. We did not start until 11 o'clock, Bumpus in Long's harbor and at dinner time we were in the fjord and was not men enough to change though Capt. Winslow inquired after me the other day when he was on board here. I should have liked to have gone as there were two shipwrecks of mine on board of her. We are now bound for the North Star I think though the Pilot is in charge the course every few minutes. I would really like to know how many of our sails will be in the course of 12 hours there would be some sort of the memorization table I think.

Mr. Carter gave me his spy glass today it is a small one but just right for carrying in the boat and keeping steady generally. I have plenty to write but I don't know what will do me any good so I shall knock off.

Sunday

Sep 4th

This morning before breakfast the Old Man pitched into the Steward about some yarn that he said four men from forward had told him last night they had a hook and the Steward ran on deck and the Old Man after him and going up the Companionway he had hit the Old Man nose and ear but a little later the Old Man called on him to seize him in the rigging but he not coming he called on Mr. Carter who seized the Steward in the rigging where he was kept till dinner time after we were under weigh we took the anchor right after breakfast. While they were sailing the Old Man said repeatedly he would finish him and other expressions to the same effect. This row was from the same cause of the one that he had with the Steward night before last and I expect through the same means. We are standing for some place or other but I don't know where for there is four days back we have heard of the ship in Inuvik bay doing her last date but we won't go there till some Island comes and makes a safe harbor.

Wednesday September 7th 1837

Sept 7th

In the morning we lowered and went under Little Star and saw hundreds but did not get near them it rained all the morning and evening and at 8 o'clock the Old Man going on board the Lydia for a game. We intended to go through the Gut today but it don't look like it now just raley we saw about a dozen whales the ships are all in Norway and I wonder how many are here are on the move and doing nothing since last week. I expect we will leave soon as the Old Man is talking of it nearly all the time & I don't know should leave today as I am heartily sick of his vacillating course and if I can help it I shall not have again with him.

Thursday

Sept 8th

The first thing today was to weigh and go on board the Calcutta to get Blacksmith as we found out yesterday he was there and Mr. Eastwood went on board of her after him but the Officers would not give him up. Though Capt. Teller told him to go on board and get him but this morning he brought Blacksmith back with him the Old Man gave him a short lecture and sent him forward again. We had light rain and had to leave out the Gut and finally came to anchor in the mouth of it we got under weigh at 4 PM. In the day we saw one large whale this morning Yesterday I saw Stephen Morgan and had just time to say how anyone he looks healthy and as though I agreed with him to chase the whales.

Friday

Sept 9th

This morning sent two boats ashore after the water and a boat to make a Stewards room and as soon as they were on board we took our anchor and started for the Right Hand ground as we were making sail we about past the water. We thought there were plenty of whales at the Head of the Bay so the Surveyor says the Calcutta is there sailing. There is very little ice and I expect we shall be out for 100 days or more.

Tuesday September 1st 1851.

Sept 1st

A good breeze blowing up with the sun and at 10 AM we put 18 hauls and hauled in the wind with 12 hauls and 18 hauls ahead of us this afternoon we got the anchors on the lines and lashed them and run the cable below though we did not unshackle them from the anchors. It has been blowing on all the afternoon and now 6 PM we have the Topy at anchor in and she has got quite a smart one to her it is raining and will be a disagreeable night. I think the wind from SE heading about 10 E by N.

Wednesday.

Sept 2nd

The wind hauled round to East West during the forenoon and as there is a heavy head sea she pitches very heavily SE with a sea on the ship pitched so it made me sick at the West head. This morning something that never happened to me before though quite common to some of our crews. We have the cables unshackled and the decks are once more a sea of chain I could not make this shore as I don't feel the very least after my shaking up this morning.

Thursday.

Sept 3rd

Cape Elizabeth was in sight this morning about twenty miles off bearing about SE by S. We had our good breeze and the sea has gone down so as to make it quite comfortable and my appetite has returned so I am all right again, though still sore about the region of the stomach.

We have seen plenty of Devil Fish today but have not stopped for them. I suppose we are going to cruise a little after Right whale but not very long as the Old Man is not fond of bad weather.

In my opinion we did a very foolish thing in leaving the lines as we did though time will tell if we get two whales more I shall consider we have done first rate. I and as it is not time to do any but being a little better than this of the 1st.

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Friday September, 11th 1857.

Sept. 16.

Dr. day. The raised a large
right whale and lowered three boats. The men
went on to him. First and head and the whole found
the boat and did not show anything but his tail. (His back
was black in sight) till the boat fast him when he was
in the boat and I started at his point hole and he right
did so far off on the boat I did not touch him I held
my second line in case he kicked but he did not and we
came on board. Mr. Carter told the Old Man it was neckin'
but he ^{the Old Man} thought and told me I ought to have fasten-
ed with both Irons in the black blubber on his
back and any person knows that Irons will bend
up on black blubber like over stone. I told him
that if he could find men that could fasten a cable
through black blubber to get them fast would not and should
not either. We saw plenty of Finbacks and also
sail but no more right whales. The wind has
been from about East all day. Our Latitude 33.24.

Saturday.

Sept. 17th

It has been thick weather all day
the wind from N. and part the time N. our course and
when we can head it. One sail in sight to the leeward.
we saw several Finbacks and nothing else. The weather
looks rather bad and I expect it will make out a gal
off in a day or two.

Sunday.

Sept. 18th

Last night we had to close reef the
Main top sail and it blowed quite hard for a couple of
hours. It was rather bad and raining all day and
at six P.M. we took in sail for the night. I expect
the Old Man call it cruising to carry sail all day
when it is so thick that there is no mast heads and then
take in sail at night we have one good thing the
rain has washed the decks quite clean which they
need a very much as the dirt was about three
inches deep. Our Latitude 33.08. did not get the
Longitude. Steering East all day wind from N.W.

Monday September 7th 1834.

Sept. 1st

It cleared away this morning at daylight and the wind came out from the N.W. Strong ESE breeze have seen plenty of S. backs but nothing like a Right whale the breeze is rather strong and the weather is fine in other respects.

Tuesday

Sept. 2nd

It has been a good mis-^{asails}chancing day we have rain of ESE till 11 AM when we raised ^{asails} and luffed up about 10 AM raised two sails and the Bark Warren hoisting at six PM spoke the ship Henry Thompson of New London she struck two whales today and on yesterday. The old man has gone on board of her. We saw a whale just at dark but did not lower. The Warren has three whales here. Latitude 51.28. N. 152.33.

Friday

Sept. 23rd

I have not written any for these four days but partly on account of the bad weather and considerably because I had nothing to write except the same thing over and over and I am tired of writing about the manner that work is carried on here to day we have been breaking and after a little of everything and also after something to give the men to do to keep the Devil out of their heads. We saw a whale and lowered the Larboard and Bow Lines for him after running over him with the ship we did not get near him and came on board and had dinner. The Bark Margaret Scott that we gamened with last night lowered twice to day she is two years old and has got 100 blb in that time she was on Desolation two seasons. It was the Man Thompson of New Bedford who spoke last Sunday. not Henry Thompson of New London. Our Officers are pretty certain we shall make Oahu our first port I hope so at least for there I feel pretty sure of getting my discharge.

Geo. V. H. Long, 152.33

Saturday September 21st 1839

Sept 21st

Clear all day in sight this morning
and at Ten o'clock sailed a great whale and chased
for some time in your the chase as he was going
much faster than we could at 12.16 sailed two more
and Mr. Eastwood lowered for them, and the Boat, from
the Boat, when at 1.2. but they soon came on board
and we have been pursuing all the afternoon. The
1st seen plenty of whales here and has fast to Eight
and David I. making her 480 lbs. Capt. Steiller says
he has seen more whales this season both Bowhead & Right
than he ever saw any season before and he has been
here a good many seasons Lat. 52.02 Long. 153.39

Sunday

Sept 22nd

Three Sails in sight at
sighting and chased round after their galled whale and
lowered after dinner but did not get near any of them
there were some dozen Right whales and plenty of Fin
backs It was rather rough but was a good day
for all that. Lat. 52.04 Long. 153.48

Monday

Sept 23rd

We were routed out
at daylight and lowered for them we chased
them till about 2 P.M. we had one boat
lay to windward of two whales when they might
have gone off into them as well as now but he
lowered with the Mr. Eastwood and went on a
whale and the Boatsteward tried to start one
from it him but did not get fast he says
the whale was too far off while Mr. Eastwood
says he was near enough to very catch
we have not the whale from all day in it
I suppose he missed him the boat says it
was a good chance. The Captain however
said nothing to Fred when he told him
he was too far off so I suppose I think
it was all right. Lat. 51.36 Long. 153.30

Tuesday September 24th 1859.

Sept. 24th

I have seen plenty of Whales but they are all going to the westward. we hauled at 2 P.M. for a whale and chased him till sundown when we came on board while the boats were hoisting up. Mr. Martin found a place in his box line where the inside yams were cut. The Old Man came along from looking at it and said he would give \$100 to any man who would tell him who cut it and he would never mention who it was then informed him. and he said he would flog him till he saw his back bare. He then said he thought it was one of the Boatswains and further said that the man he suspected should guilt plainly. I thought he suspected me as he looked straight at me while he was talking and to know that I was perfectly white with madness while he was speaking. but I heard since that Mr. Martin told him that that was some of Don's work, at least Ward says he heard him say so, and he stood right side of them at the time. Date is on the sick list and has been for three weeks. This sail is sight one booby Lat. 31.42 Long. 153.30

Wednesday.

Sept. 25th

It is a certain fact I am in peril for cutting the starboard line as the Captain called Dan in the Cabin last night and told him he was to stand watch with Mr. Carter in my place as I have heretofore stood the watch myself that is (Boatswain). I expect now that he will pick a quarrel with me in a few days so as to let out some of his spleen on my head. The mate and fourth mate have each \$25 apiece to find out the one that cut the line.

We have seen several whales but have lowered none as they are going quick. This sail is sight one booby Lat. 31.50 Long. 153.31

Thursday 4th June 1839.

Spent

Have nothing new to write
to day except that it is light and somewhat
breeze. It is blowing strong and at 2 P.M. we
down the Bladthorpe and the main Mast
was lowered for a while just before dinner but soon
came on board again. The wind is from about SE
and it is raining though I think it will not be very
heavy today.

Friday

4th 1839

Our Gale clear, backed down
and the wind falling it came out a fine morning and at
10th we started E. & S. and down after spoke the Hensington.
She sunk a whale on the 28th Inst. we did not get her
right on and at 11th raised a Right Whale and a vessel
ran the ship over him he came up and a few bit
times within three fathoms of the rudder and Mr. East-
wood snapped two caps on Mr. Carter's bow gun which
on examining proved to not be loaded he would most
undoubtedly killed the whale if it had been as soon as
the whale left the stern we lowered and chased him
for three hours but at length he cleared out he was a
small calf I think and would have made about 30 bl.
of oil we have seen nothing since except 4 sails.

Saturday

6th 1839

We kept off SE this morn-
ing and at 10th went down point on the 12th
bay and two sails both starting for the fore-
from appearances I think we are bound for warm
weather and I for one am glad and am sure the
looks of the rest they are satisfied that this season
is at least finished as far as the catch goes
any. At 10th in the afternoon we raised some
Squalids and for a short time thought they
were Right whales but I was not sorry to find they
were not. Our fair wind is blowing but
it may blow up again towards morning
we shall see in the Pacific tomorrow 4th 1839.

Wednesday Oct 11th 1834.

Oct. 11th

We went to the C. Light, a short
last night with the boat at 10 o'clock we should
have been out yesterday. But we had a hard wind
and for two or three hours it blowed hard but it would
have fair and we finished though we had a
fine day yesterday. But as he was out of us I expect
he is there now for our sailing qualities are none of
the best. We have seen some Swaback, by it is
clear and all sail in the Main Royal yard aloft and
Topmast I have sail out West from W. and course E by S.
The course through Poughkeepsie Strait was S.E.

Thursday.

Oct. 12th

We have a light breeze from the
N.W. Strong E by S blowing in sight out from the
back. Yesterday morning it was blowing quite strong
from N. by S and at 9 o'clock in reefing the Main Topmast the
Cold Man jumped the ship and she fell 1 ft. Westward and
back the upper mast broke down the boat and the stern
into the water but she finally got her in under
she was not hurt but all the Cars laid and craft was
washed out of her and then ^{she} respect the Force of wind and
set it the respect she is strain it blew pretty hard for
three or four hours and as there was a rough sea running
it made her make more bad weather of it. She
jelled the Larboard boat twice but has not. At 11
any One Old Man was flying round like a crazy man
and so that so that everybody was laughing at him. as
the had all hands for a couple of hours. He kept some
of the Officers at the Wheel till 4 P.M. when he went to
baggage. It was all caused by his own foolishness
and it was by good fortune we got off as well as
we did as the Ship laid broadside to the sea for some
time and I wonder it had not hit very thing
of the deck. My Prayer is that we may get
out of this Strait which I expect will be
along in a few days it will be very good to this
time all right.

Monday Oct 1st 1837

Oct. 1st

Clear & bright yesterday with
 E. wind & light S. breeze. Day 4 is 148.24 N. Lat. 148.00
 South. We have been meeting the main body of
 the old main top sail and have plenty of work to do
 and I expect we shall keep it pretty steady till
 tonight.

Tuesday

Oct. 2nd

We have fine weather today and
 sail in sight though for some days it has blown a
 gale of wind, and indeed has been in sight for three
 days. Mr. Eastward heads the Watch line moving
 away the boats I suppose he is afraid to trust Mr.
 Carter. We have three beams of bark to scrape and
 the whole of it to dry and the whole and ship to wash
 and plenty of work to do the old star is afraid that we
 shall get in before we can do it all so I suppose I will
 be away from sunrise till sunset though thank the
 Lord that ^{fair} is a very long while in my steering
 I stand from about N. to N. W. Latitude at 12 M.
 36.44 North Longitude at 2 M. 165.49 East.

Wednesday

Oct. 3rd

It is fine weather and a splendid
 breeze our course E by S. the wind from about N. W. W.
 One sail in sight bound off S. E. She don't seem as
 though she was in any hurry as she carries no other
 sails but other light sail. We washed the boat
 we washed & scraped yesterday and tomorrow will burn
 it I expect.

Thursday

Oct. 4th

We have fine weather and a splendid
 breeze our course E by S. the wind from about N. W. W.
 One sail in sight bound off S. E. She don't seem as
 though she was in any hurry as she carries no other
 sails but other light sail. We washed the boat
 we washed & scraped yesterday and tomorrow will burn
 it I expect.

Ship Honolulu.

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Monday December 2nd 1839.

Dec. 2nd

I have had quite a long interval since I wrote last in this since then I have been into Lahaia and remained there 9 days I believe and then left there and proceeded to Honolulu where we shipped 230 bbls of Oil or thereabouts and 8648 bbls of bone the bone by the Ship Black Sea and the Oil by the Ship Mitas but I can't pretend to give any account of all that happened there. I was on the 16th of November I took my chest ashore to get my discharge and on the 24th I think it was the old ship sailed having laid off and on for a week all hands forward of the Mizzen Mast deserted or nearly all she caught three of the Hornet hands the rest escaped. The Officers all tried except the Second Mate to leave and the Old Man promised the 1st Mate & Third Mate their discharges but afterwards refused to give it to them. Mr. Carter when he had the promise of his discharge came to me and wanted me to promise if we both left the ship that I would go out as his boatswain which I promised to do but he is still in the Old Bark and I on the 2nd of Dec. shipped in the Ship Northern Light to steer a boat bound for America and home and I expect to be there in April or May if we get any Oil I shall go home but if we don't the Lord knows where I shall go to I think I strongly of leaving the Sea and trying what I can do on shore towards making a living If I can make a good one without much labor to which I have a moral antipathy I shall spend the rest of my days on Terra Firma otherwise I am off on the Sea once more, This Days work is in Transition.

Monday December 12th 1859.

Durham

Ship.

Northern Light.

I am once more writing but in another place and ship I shipped Dec 2nd and came on board the *Bell* and went to work, we had not much to do. West one of the Gratitude's Boat Swimmers is on board and Sydney Case one of her men is here too. We sailed on the 4th of Dec and have been at work since painting our boats and getting ready for whaling if we happen to see one. We were joined and by the Steam tug *Pelle*, we left the harbor about 11 AM and after getting the anchors and cables stowed we chase Watchers and Boat Swimmers. The Mate Mr. Carroll took me to steer him and Abel Dickinson steers the Second. Mate Mr. White, John Booth steers Mr. Sutherland the Third. Mate and West steers the *Old Man* Capt. Austin. Our course is S by E with the wind from about N by E, and a fine breeze.

Saturday.

Dec 11th

I have been so busy this week that I could not write. I have had to rig my boat in water below and Mr. Carroll keeps ~~us~~ busy in the watch on deck. We have had miserable weather for the last few days no wind of any account and plenty of rain and there is any account amount of grumbling for we are all anxious to get on the road to New Bedford. From the way we are rigging our boats I think that the *Old Man* really intends to cruise some I hope so as I must have some oil some rope or other.

Wednesday Dec. 20th 1839.

Dec. 20th

We have a fine breeze and are sliding along towards the Line and Bunker are now all cross it and we have been rounding tails and are bending the old sails in place of the new sails and generally. The old man took a man by name of Marshall from forward and made him Fourth Mate. he has been Second and Third Mate of Ships for ten or twelve years he was wrecked in the Phoenix of San Tucker and wintered in the Shantar bays on Elbow Island.

Thursday

Dec. 21st

Just as I was eating my breakfast this morning I fired my gun and for whale and they seemed to be a school of small whales we got the boats off ready and lowered Mr. Sandford got near enough to dart at one under water and in a few minutes after I darted at one as he was going down and just pricked him in the small one pulled after them for and paddled after them for a couple of hours when they came out of sight to windward, we got aboard at 11 A.M. and saw them heaving to windward, several times till 2 P.M. when we lost sight of them. we kept off at sundown and set 8 timesails.

Friday

Dec. 22nd

We started, I saw that night and about 1 P.M. raised, whales and we lowered the all the boats and pushed to windward, but we did not get near them as they were going to the windward, like the devil we came on board after sundown and got our supper. Latitude about 2 S. Longitude 146. 00. W.

Sunday January 1st 1861.

Jan. 1st

This morning we went in the Bow Boat and the Starboard, and at noon we had some Cocoanuts, Half a dozen Chickens and some some or another Fowl, and squared away about 4 o'clock we passed to the leeward of the Island and saw quite a small or rather large town but could not stop. The course is now South. The Island is named Manua, one of the Navigator's Group. Latitude 14° 15' S. Longitude 169° 27' West.

Wednesday,

Jan. 3rd

The course is S by West the wind about East and we are getting along towards a cold weather. Today we have been setting the Topmasts rigging forward and have only just left off work now 2 P.M. Yesterday saw a Bark Steering I had did not get near enough to make her out.

Friday,

Jan. 5th

Today we have had all hands again for setting up the lower rigging and Backstays are finished. Seizing it off today the wind is steady but light from about NW steering S.W. for Sunday Island I suppose to get some wood or something I don't know what. Latitude 24° 17' S. Longitude 174° 13' West.

Sunday,

Jan. 8

The wind has been quite variable and scarcely a cry of it. All that we have had less rain than usual and it has been a fine day. The course is about S.W. and I expect we will raise land tomorrow. We saw some Porpoises and Blackfish today.

Latitude 24° 36' S. Longitude 175° 14' West.

Wednesday 17th of January 1860

Jan 17th

This morning we raised land on the weather bow and a sail soon after saw some gunners breaching me at first thought they were sperm whales but were disappointed. During the day we worked up under the land and at 4 P.M. the Old Man went ashore Mr. White took him ashore and as they have a long pull I suppose will not be on board to night. The land is named Sunday Island and I suppose we will be off again tomorrow night.

Thursday

Jan 18th

The Mate of the Bark came on board this morning and remained all day. Capt. Austin came back last night not having got ashore as it was late and he did not know the place. The Bark's name is The Belle of Fairhaven. Capt. Brown and his wife who they say is the Capt's wife. This morning Capt. Austin went on board of the Belle and from there ashore we sent Mr. Sandford & Marshall ashore and at about sunset they came on board bringing some Green Corn, Ducks, Chickens, Cabbages, Beans. Capt. Austin remained on board the Bark till about 8 P.M. when he came on board. We had a row with an old Englishman ashore today and I believe intend to go ashore again. There is two men here that were in Strong's Island when I was there in 1850 named Canett, and Johnson or Blacksmith, as we generally called him.

The landing here is rather hard and you have to back evering off to the Boats through the Breakers. The landing is on the NW side of the Island in a large cleft in the land. He told some good stories about a Pond of Mineral water on it which I would rather tell personally than write.

Jan. 13thFriday January 13th 1860.

We were so far from the land this morning that we did not guess it having been calm all night the current set us to the Southward it is pretty strong here. At about Ten & 11th we haled a back the Mainyard and the Bark ranging up a beam of us and Capt. Brown and his Wife and Second Mate came on board and Mr. Carroll went back with the boat and crew and now let me recd a while.

Capt. Austin had been flying round all the morning as any old tidower would when he was going to be visited by a pretty woman (though she had a husband and a little boy about eighteen months old) She would have been pretty but her feet were of the Jay bird fashion the longest we behind, and short waisted a little round shouldered and very little either a little peaked chin and a mouth from \odot besides a nose which was but my descriptive powers fail me here and I will say it was a nose but what a nose. I shall not proceed any farther with my description for that nose looks up before me in such magnificent proportions I can see nothing else.

The Boy was a real handsome fellow and bright as a new dollar he was running round the decks and made himself perfectly at home. he could sing out there the Blues in ship shape fashion. ~~Then~~ Capt. Austin gave him a large music box which he had bought in Honolulu, but he is excusable for these women and little babies or hogs do make one feel somewhat generous.

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Saturday January 14th 1861.

Jan. 14th

This morning we sent
the in four boats with three boats crewed by
Carroll remaining on board in charge of the
ship I of course supplied 100 and two Boats
from the Bell went in. Our boats came on
board along in the afternoon bringing some
word that they had cut ashore and news of
a great battle between Capt. Brown & Old Benas
he is called - the Patriarch of the Island
I learned that two of Capt. Brown's men had
run away the other day and he accused Ben
of stealing them away which he denied.

Capt. Brown told him he must go on board the
Bark till the men were found and as Ben
starting for his house to get his gun I suppose
Capt. Brown took hold of him and he and his
second and third mate took him into the boat and then
aboard the bark: the Old fellows two wives and
several children made a nice hullabaloo
the women fought like the devil for him but
it was no use. Ben gave one of his wives two bags
full of Gold to keep till he came back.

While they were all down to the beach the
Blacksmith called Capt Brown a liar for telling
him he stole his men away Brown pistoled
into him, and Blacksmith knocked him down
upon which Brown drew a revolver and
threatened to shoot him Blacksmith ran and
Brown overtook him and Blacksmith stumbling
fell down with Brown on top of him who beat
him over the head with his revolver breaking it
in a dozen pieces and then drew another
finally Capt Austin separated them though
Jan. one of our men hauled Brown off once but
the mess ended with giving Brown a Black eye
and Blacksmith several cuts on his head with
the pistol but Brown would have fared worse for
his backers.

Sunday January 13th 1860

Jan 13th

To day we are gambling again that is the Hollander on board of the Belle. The Capt. L. B. Young. Capt. Marsh, of Fairhaven, came down to us just at dark last night and is now gambling the Belle. Capt. Brown sent old Ben ashore this morning Ben giving him \$100.00 security that he would catch his men for him when he does it he is to have it back and \$10 more. We raised two more sails this forenoon and at 2 P.M. saw one of them lower her boats the Belle and Young lowered theirs and we called all hands and got the boats ready and were some distance off and that saved our lowering for not seeing any whales we kept them aboard we soon passed the three other vessels and just let them know the Northern Light knew how to sail it did me good to walk past them as though they were at anchor. The ships name we saw was the Addison the other did not come near us at sundown double reefed and will take things easy tonight.

Monday,

Jan 14th

To day we went at work hooking out water and other stores to day and after dinner we had a rather game with the L. B. Young and I expect we shall have her with us for a week at two we kept off free for Goat Island and at sundown were close to it the talk is we are going ashore tomorrow to run goats down as no person lives there ships have to catch their own goat there is no water on the island and nothing but goats and birds. Capt. Austin came aboard just at dark and we are running before the wind with only our Topsails set a light breeze from the N.E.

Wednesday January 18th 1860.

Jan 18

We didn't go ashore at Goat Island yesterday but instead of it engaged with the L.B. Jenny and run off S.W. all day and at night took in sail and heaved to the wind on the Port Bock this morning we kept off S.W. and have stered so all day we saw a breach today but did not make anything of it - one sail in sight just at dark at sundown we heaved to the wind on the Port Bock and took in the Topgallantsails the wind from about East. Latitude $3^{\circ}42'$ S. Longitude $179^{\circ}35'$ East.

Thursday

Jan 19

We have been running to the N. all day with a good breeze from S.E. it has been beautiful and clear all day but nothing in sight we have been doing as usual mending sail and working in the rigging. Capt. Justin told me today he should like to hear from the Florida as she had a bad passage to go through he told me he did not know I was his best Capt. William's brother till a few days ago and had a good many questions to ask of me. Latitude $3^{\circ}15'$ South. Longitude $177^{\circ}48'$ East.

Sunday.

Jan 20

This is a loafing day and for a wonder we have had nothing more than break out a little water and tack ship twice in all day. We had our Topsails single reefed this forenoon but now have all set out heading S. the wind from W.S.W. It has been clear but nothing to be seen and the Lord knows when there will be last weather in hopes of better times a coming if they don't come. Soon I expect it will be rather a long time before we get into port which I expect will be Hongkong as Capt. Justin told me he expected to see Thomas there.

Jan. 23.

Monday January 23rd 1860

We had to reef our topsails last night and during the day it blew half a gale of wind. At about 11 past 12 raised anchor and the weather being at the time heading S. E. the wind from about N. W. we beat all day and at about 4 P. M. made it and to be New Zealand close to Bay of Islands. we then stood off to the westward and bent a new Fore and Main topsail as the old ones were rather the worse for the wear they had. we spler star for the mainmast and we saw lights on the land and hauled about for the light.

Tuesday.

Jan. 24th

At daylight made all sail the wind being light and variable and found we were now off the bar of Mangamui but instead of standing for it we kept off for North Cape and soon after raised a sail standing under the land under easy sail. we saw some humphacks and at 3 P. M. Mr. Carroll went ashore with his boat and went in to a bay and spoke two of the Bart. Pachel's boats who had been to the settlement. They said there were plenty of everything and cheap. we came ashore without landing and are now gunning with the boat.

Wednesday

Jan. 25th

We called all hands at 5 A. M. and got the Bow and Larboard boats ready and stood in for the land blowing a strong breeze from N. W. the water smooth except in shore and landed the Macris had potatoes, mums in kegs, pigs and some other things at 10 the black. Capt. Austin has been troubled with the Asthma and sent Mr. Carroll in his place to trade. We had a box of Tobacco some Hickory Shirts, we got the Macris and potatoes for ten kegs of Tobacco, a pig and three pigs for a shirt.

Wednesday January 25th 1860.

Jan 25th

Spice boat when we attempted to shore off the beach the Maories made a rush for the boat and would not let us go off and were flourishing their clubs and spears the third boat was in our boat at the time but having been further off the beach got their boat off in deep water and loosed their sail. finally the Maories said one boat go aboard and come back after the remainder of the potatoes that we had not bought. They were I expect bound to have all the trade there was in the boat. but soon after Mr. Sandford went off Mr. Carroll gave them 50 heads of tobacco to let us go aboard and the chief gave us 60 lbs of potatoes and we started off. we got alongside and now V.P. M. are off the west side off North Cape and another sail in sight ahead we heading about S.W.

Thursday.

Jan 26th

It blew pretty strong this morning and along about ten o'clock it came right down and we had or rather the other watch had to close reef the Main Taper and furl everything else but it cooled down soon and at 4 P.M. made double reefed topsails and courses the arrival from S.W. having shifted this forenoon we head about W by N. The Three Kings in sight all day.

Friday

Jan 27th

To day we gave up our cruise. Capt. Austin has been suffering with the Asthma for some days past so as to be unable to sleep or lie down for any length of time and this changeable weather made him worse so at 11 o'clock we kept off before the wind and are now off North Cape and steering along for port. Our sail in sight steering the Eastward. I expect now we shall make a straight course as soon as we get our weather.

Sunday January 28th 1861.

Jan. 28

Mr. Carroll and White took their boat and went ashore this morning to our old place to get some more trade but when we got there the natives would not trade it being their Sabbath, but we did not having changed our day when we crossed the meridian, and it Saturday. While we were there we boats from the Bark E. Corning. Capt. Roach of B. came in. But they had no better success than we did. Capt. Roach brought a Sydney Lady as passenger to the Bay of Islands where he was bound. He was ashore with him. We went gunning as soon as we got on board and gunned till night about 11.16 raised Blackfish from the Western Light and we also Mr. White struck one and Capt. Roach another and have both I suppose the will make about 2 bbls. of Oil.

Sunday

Jan. 29th

Good sail in sight both during forenoon and after breakfast we kept off after them and went at work getting the Capt. and his men off the Barks we let go anchor about 11.16 off the outside watering place furled sails and had the deck cleared up before dinner. Capt. Austin went ashore and Mr. Carroll, Mr. White, Mr. Josephine, Brooks, Barret, and ~~James~~ are in the Harbor.

Thursday

Feb. 1st

This morning sent a boat ashore after the Alderman and about 9 A.M. we weighed anchor and started and to see we are minus two men. Fred that was in the Institute and afterwards had, means Sprague. They slipped right before last. We have some 2 bbls. of water here and a few potatoes and more are on direct for Fairhaven. Though we have not made much today as the wind is right ahead.

Sunday February 5th 1861.

Sig. 3rd

We have had wind since leaving last the land in sight. The Old Hans, a complaint which kept him in bed. Morgan has returned again and this afternoon he was very bad and just before he told Mr. Merrill to square the yards and run into port I suppose Morgan was or Bag of Islands.

Feb 6th

Monday

We came to an Anchor about 2 PM in our old place and will lay here for some time at least till Capt Austin gets well.

Tuesday

Feb. 18

Capt Hillman of the Otthello and Capt Austin being pretty good friends Capt Austin said he would let any of our crew go if they will ship in the Otthello. He wants two Boatstewards and several foremast hands and today I made a bargain with Capt Hillman to go the coming season with him and set off with Capt Austin as I think it will be better for me to go this season, rather than to go home now. Though Capt Austin told me if I went home with him he would give me a second or third mates berth to come with him in the Syren or a new ship he did not know which he should have.

Monday February 20th 1860

Ship Chello

Feb 20

Yesterday I took my
head from the Northern Light and
brought it on board the Chello. I shipped
on Saturday the 18th to steer a boat for the
next 12 months or till the 1st of Oct. after the
Northern season.

This morning we got under
weigh and left Hongkong I hope for
good. The Robert Edwards sailed with
us and is now under our lee. Just
before supper Capt. Hillmer sent for the Boat-
steerers in the cabin and told us we might do
as we chose about living in the Cabin or storage
and after this we are to have our meals in
the Cabin. I steer the Bow Boat. Mr. Phelps

Thursday

Feb 21st

It has been nearly
all day we have been busy on various
small jobs. I engaged the Steward to do my
washing during the season so I am all right
for that part any way.

Friday

Feb 24

We have a fine breeze
from ESE and have been heading to the
Nard E all day but backed at 6 P.M. we head
about S. now. Capt Hillmer has concluded
to try another season north. The Officers
being all in favor of it and for my
part I think we shall do a great
deal better north than to remain on
this ground though it is hard telling
where is the best place. I expect we are
bound to Paratong. to get some more
for we have only thirteen now.

Saturday February 23rd 1860.

Feb. 23

This has been rather a long day as we crossed the meridian yesterday it gives us 48 hours for the day. It has blown a pretty strong breeze and this afternoon we furl'd the mainsail having had double reefed topsails all day. This morning we split the jib and sent it in and bent a new one in its place. We saw something making large white water last night but did not make it out one sail in sight today. Headed to the southward, we are heading about E. N. E. and from about S. E.

Wednesday

Feb 24th

I was called out this morning at five for a school of Spurr Whales close to the ship on the weather bow but they had seen the ship and were travelling to windward we commenced working up after them and at 12 they were on our lee bow having got once more on their course though still going very quick, we got our dinners and lowered away three boats Capt. Killmer going down himself and not having men enough to man 4 boats Mr. Phelps remained on board and as I steer his boat I remained. The boats chased the whales till about 4 p.m. when Mr. Wardell the second mate got near enough to land one but did not get fast the Capt. also got very close but it all did us no good and they came on board at 6 P.M. well tired and no fish though I think they should have. The wind was from E. S. E. the whales gained N. E. by N. and a strong breeze but the whales had a breeze too. We lay ship at dark and stood to the Southward.

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Friday March 2nd 1861.

11.42.

The wind is calm (at night)
and till noon so that when the wind sprang
up again from the S E and at sunset we
had a strong breeze our course is E by N but
we cannot head it as we are however stand-
ing to the starboard. I believe we are
going to Rarotonga after some more men
having only thirteen now forward.

Saturday.

11.44

We have a good
breeze and fine weather but nothing to be
seen and it looks rather dry round here and
I hope our stay will be short for I believe
I should die of sheer laziness if we should
remain here much longer. I do nothing and
I think the Native believes I am too tender
or too good to work for he never sets me
any work. It seems like play to come
here after the work I had in the northern
Islands though I had nothing to complain of
there as I never had a hard word spoke to
me while there though I never gave
any occasion for I always intend to do
my work and then no one can grumble
and what is more I can do it with the
best of them and I have the name of it too.

Sunday.

11.45

Yesterday the wind
after a short calm breeze sprang from the
S.W. but at sundown we were sharp on the
wind and by ten at night the wind
was in the E S E again, our course is E
when we can head it. We have a good
strong breeze now and the Old Man is carrying
on her pretty hard but she stands well
and I think she is a good ship though smaller
than I wish she were.

Friday March 9th 1860.

Feb 9.

We have a strong breeze from the NW steering N by E all sail on the ship now but we had reefed Topsails till 3 PM. Last night it rained nearly all night and we all got soaked taking in sail, the wind was very variable and came in gusts. We had heavy weather yesterday, and we carried whole Topsails till we had to turn the Boat Boat up. I would have made Old David's eyes stick out to see her walk into the sea but he was always afraid of his shadow. We are now about 300 miles N by W from Barotonga.

Sunday.

Feb 11

We have a light wind from the SW steering N by E. It is very warm but one good thing we have nothing to do though I have seen men who would have all hands hard at work in the rigging but Mr. Gardner the Mate is not over and above sharp eyed especially about the rigging and Capt. Miller interferes with no one but the Carpenter and he has been at work since leaving port in the cabin altering and repairing.

Tuesday.

Feb 13

This morning Capt. Miller was on deck at day light looking out for the Land but we did not rise till 6 PM. At 6 PM I raised it 4 points on our Port Bow and good 30 miles off we had the wind right astern but light and we did not get to the Island till about Ten at night when we hauled aboard the Main yard and in the morning I suppose the Boat will go ashore.

Wednesday, March 14th 1867

Feb. 14

Early this morning three boatloads of Kanakas came on board and brought a little fruit. We stood in for the land and about 4 o'clock Hillmer went ashore. He took but three of our men with him for fear they might run. About dinner time or there boatloads of Bananas, Oranges, Chickens and dried Bananas came on board sent by the Capt. Just at dark Capt Hillmer came on board accompanied by a Dutch Missionary and 4 Kanakas. The Kanakas he shipped for the season three of them have been at sea before but one is wild yet. As soon as the Missionary left we squared the yards course N by W. wind about S by E. and it blew rather squally. We have a Mari royal sent new we sent it about yesterday. Durgan was the principal trader used I believe in purchasing these recruits.

Sunday.

Feb. 15

This morning we cleared off all the superfluous articles about the decks in preparation for the Hurricane. That Capt Hillmer has been certain would be here for the last three days so much so that we yesterday sent across the Wizen Top Yard and Main Royal yard and Talkies strong of Drifting. The Topgallant mast but we have them standing yet. The weather for the last few days has been rather bad the wind being about NW and coming in squalls with plenty of rain and the whole sky covered with heavy mass of black colored clouds. But today the weather is better and we live in hope.

Monday March 26th 1860.

Feb 26.

For over a week I have been so "constitutionally tired" to write anything or in fact to sit when I could help it and now have nothing to write as the winds and weather are the same ~~as~~ they generally are made up of squalls of rain and calms one of which we are just at the present time experiencing.

March 31

Friday This days work seems very near being among the things that were or rather never was. This morning as soon as the Mastheads were manned they sung out for a reef a mile off our lee beam the breakers were rolling rather tall and if we had been one mile out of our course we would never have known anything about the reef till we brought up and it would have made a bad work of the ship. While these Coral reefs were bad things to get on to. I am a sailing man now one boatster in each watch having all day on deck and all night below are taking down the fore rigging and the Starboard watch are turning it and capping the Mizzen. I am going in the topmast rigging tomorrow.

Lat 4th S. Longitude 174. West

Sunday

April 5th

We crossed the line yesterday morning and the Meridian several days ago. Friday we were at Ocean Island and shipped one more Kapa and now the talk is of going to Hong Island to get more and now we have so many green ones it takes all the time to be seen of them.

Wednesday April 11th 1861

Apr 11

The Traders are quite strong and we are making good time though last night we were rather too much of a hurry for just after 7 PM we lost the Bow Boat off the cranes taking both davits and all her gear complete and now I have got a new boat to rig; we have only four now any way but we can easily get more in the Sea Our course is N.W. Lat about 12 N Long. about 164 East.

Thursday

April 15

I am now to stand my watch again we having the most of our work finished though there are some very necessary jobs to do yet but I expect they will be left undone for though Capt. Killmer seems to like things to be attended to he has not got the men to attend and so it is done and the Mate and he have not been on very good terms for some time but at present are all sweet friends but it is to fire to last.

The wind still holds from ENE our course being N.W. by N the Longitude 158.58 East Lat about 20 N.

Friday

April 16

I have something to write now any way. The breeze was light all day and at 10 AM raised Sperm Whales and lowered the two quarter and raised hoists the new Bow boat not being ready Mr. Phelps could not lower and the Cooper Mr. Ward boatster being sick I steered the waist boat. After chasing the whales till about 2.46 PM. Much and I struck second head we only got past to one and now 2 PM he is hooked on by one tooth and the Flecker hair 23.30 N 75.45 East.

April 16. 1861. One Prong. (Glaucus)

600 lbs

Thursday April 17th 1860.

Apr. 17

We have just finished boiling the whale's head and now will commence on the body it is about one third of the whole what is in the head the whale will make about 60 bbls. more.

Tuesday morning we commenced cutting and about 10.00 a.m. we were heaving the last piece of the body in overboard whaler and lowered for them we got pretty handy to them several times but not near enough to strike. Two boats chased the whales till near sundown the Capt. gave it up and went on board to see the case and put it in. It was calm till just before the boats returned.

Wednesday we commenced boiling and in 24 hours have boiled about 25 bbls of head. Lat. 23° 34' N. Longitude 157° East.

Thursday

April 20th

The weather is getting to be quite cool the wind being from the Northward. Yesterday we sent down the Main-Top sail and sent up a new one the old one being two thirds rotted off close to the Truss bands it is a wonder to me how it stood as long as it has we only discovered it a short time ago by mere accident then.

We finished boiling our whale on Friday morning he turned up 60 bbls but will not stow down that much the oil did not come out of his body freely: the head made one half of the whole and cost for it that generally it makes one third we stow down tomorrow I expect.

I have not commenced rigging my new boat yet but shall this week. During last week the Capt. made a Main and a Main-Top and a Top-sail and sent them off at first rate. Lat. 23° 34' N. Longitude 157° East.

Monday April 23rd 1862

We stowed down today in the After hold Port side we finished stowing about half past 6 it was rather hard stowing as we had a good many tierces of meat to handle but it is down and is off my hands we stowed 36 Bbls. and 26 Cals. besides an cask with about 4 barrels in it making a good 60 tierces we turned the oil up in did not shrink or leak a particle scarcely.

Our course is N by W and a good breeze from SE the latitude was about 22 N. I think.

Wednesday. Thursday

Apr. 26

We have about finished our rigging it is cold enough for jacks and such like fixing the cold has made the rigging stiff and hard.

By day after tomorrow we shall be in the place where we saw Right whales last season and I hope we shall get one or two lead as it will be such a good start for the season. The wind is from SE. our course N. by W. and we are making good time Lat. 37 N Long. 152 E or thereabouts.

Friday

Apr. 28

I made a mistake in the day of the week last time I wrote up a log I lose run of the days because we don't have our Duff regular and I have nothing else to keep tally by.

We have had very near a calm these three days past and very foggy but the wind has now got in the West and if it holds there we will have good weather I think. My boat is now almost ready and I want to try her very bad indeed but it is hard telling what is in store for us.

Apr. 29

Sunday April 29th 1860.

The wind has been shifting from west to N. and back again every two or three hours and it blew pretty hard last night but it is now moderate good weather and we have a full sail set but it is quite cool. We had the first snow squall this afternoon. We saw humpbacks and a large school of Blackfish but they have done us no good. The Sea tide is about 4 3/4 N and Longitude about 153 3/4.

Tuesday

May 1st

We have had very good weather till about 3 P.M. when it commenced to rain and has settled down for a good spell at N; the wind is from about SE and that is the reason that it rains instead of snow.

We have been mending the main sail today it is rather cold work sewing in Lead 45 lb. yesterday we had a new Main Topp and staysail and now we have three on the main Capt Killmer and another made them himself they set very well at 9 P.M. hauled a back foreyard on the Starboard tack and took in everything but topsails. Lat. 44° 51' N Long 152° 41' East.

Wednesday

May 3rd

It was thick fog till about 3 P.M. when it cleared off and the land was plain in sight on our larboard bow bearing about NW from us the wind from SE and sail also in sight to the Eastward we all run off for the passage till dark when we lifted up to E and will keep so till morning and then if it is clear we shall go through into the Sea as soon after as we can my boat is to be put out the Davitts are already in and then the Bombards must look out for themselves.

Friday May 4th 1861.

High

We ran N.E. all night till 2 A.M. when we kept off N.E. and stood that course till about 4 A.M. when we kept off N.E. and are now steering S. The wind in the night and fore part of the day was from S.E. but since it has been from S.W. it was very thick and we saw nothing of the land. One sail following us we saw her once when the fog lighted up a little. Capt. Hillner places the ship in the Ochotsk Sea and supposes we are at any rate are much nearer there if there is such a country. We carried all sail till 5 P.M. when we double reefed blowing quite hard and quite clear.

Sunday.

May 6.

We have had two snow squalls to day one of them covered the deck about two inches deep but the rest of the day has been fine but quite cold the wind being S.W. all the time from the 11th. Our course has been N.E. when we could head it. S.W.

Monday.

May 7

Raised anchor this morning at 8 A.M. and have been running through it since it is pretty well broke up and scattered though it grows thicker quite fast. We have had a breeze from W.S.W. and have carried all sail till sunset when we took in the light sails and clewed down the topsails.

We put the waist and bow heads on their cranes and now we are ready for the bowheads in fact we tried to make one of a Sulphur bottom we saw just before dark but could not make out.

Capt. Hillner intends trying the Litchland Fall this season but he may change his mind for it is
Lat. 62° 24' 32" N. Long. 149° 32' E. S. S.

Tuesday May 8th 1860.

May 8

As soon as it was day-
light we commenced working through the
ice and have made excellent headway having
been nearly all the time in open water and a
good breeze from about S. our general course
has been about N.W. by N. and two more days
more like these will bring us to four S. by S.
where I expect we shall find the ships
and whales. I raised two whales just
after 1st P.M. but we never saw them again.
I am not certain but think they were
Bowheads bound to the northward.
We are laying aback for the night in a large
lagoon with the Topsails reefed and other sails
furled. Our Latitude I should judge is about 54th N.

Wednesday.

May 9th

We saw some
Grampuses this morning and I suppose they must
have been what we saw last night. The ice looked
very open to the westward this morning and the
clear water at N.E. & N. extended as far as we could
see and at dark it still continued so we are in
strong hopes of seeing whales and ships tomorrow if the
ice continues as scattered as it has been. Our course
was at N.W. till 2 P.M. when the wind knocked
us off N.W. and has held so since.

Thursday.

May 10th

The ice was a great deal
heavier than it has been this forenoon but we made very
good headway having plenty of clear spaces. At 11th P.M.
3 P.M. raised a Bowhead and lowered for him and
the Capt. struck he run under the ice till the line parted
when he made off to the westward. The Starboard boat
got his bows stove in with the ice and we got jacked
in the ice and hauling the boat over a large cake of ice got
the Starboard streak badly cracked. We came on board at
7 P.M. and took sail in the night 3 more whales in sight now 8 P.M.

Friday, May 11th 1861.

May 11

At 3 this morning we saw a large whale and made sure of hitting him but we waited to see him again before lowering and we have had to wait twice or three while fish is all that has rewarded the most praiseworthy efforts to raise a bomb, for after 4 hours (about 10 am) it sunk very hard the wind from S. but it has shifted and is now about W. mended our boats today and are all ready for another trial in the ice.

Saturday.

May 12.

It has been beautiful weather all day but the coldest that we have had; we have been working along to the west and have had pretty open water to work in, at 12.16 we raised a sail, sailing and have been making for her since, and at dark she was about 1/2 miles off dead to windward. Expect the first thing tomorrow morning will be to speak her and get the news.

Sunday.

May 13

We had four sail in sight this morning one of them we called the Curlew we thought she was empty but were not certain, the other two ships and a bark I don't know. We have been trying all day to get near enough to speak one of them but it has been a perfect calm till just before dark when a slight breath of air from S. moved us up a little nearer them. They do not seem to have seen any whales today or at least they have not had their boats down.

Monday.

May 14

After breakfast the Pilot took his boat and went on board of the Millman. Capt. Little then about two miles off. I went with him we remained a couple of hours and then commenced working towards Jones Is. The Millman saw whales on Saturday and the Bark Coral struck one the same

May 1st 1860.

The 14 day but last him. The Wilbernia, Capt Edwards has been
 boiling five days. She has struck five whales but don't
 know how many she saved. The ship we called the
 Onward, is boiling today she cut a whale yesterday morning.
 The Congress, Stranberg is in the ice on her way to Jorua.
 So we sighted the G. at 10 P.M. about 20 miles due
 west from us we are now in open water and with
 sail in; the ice is very open and we expect to go
 clear to the island tomorrow if we do not find
 whales before. we were about two hours this
 afternoon coming through a pretty thick drift
 but I think we have a pretty clear road to the
 whales now. A ship we called the Thos. Age is boiling
 on the weather quarter the wind from S.E.

Thursday.

May 15

This morning our course
 was S.W. but after dinner we kept of S.W. by N. after
 the Tugge and the Rapid. at 4 P.M. jammed with the
 George Howland. Comeroz she got a whale yesterday
 and is now, boiling the Tugge and Rapid kept off again
 with us about 10 P.M. and at 11 P.M. both lowered
 their boats for whales and we between the two have
 not seen any at dark. 1 P.M. we took in sail for the
 night and the Geord. knows where we shall be
 next. the Old Man don't seem to have the same
 mind 20 minutes in succession and if we do
 not see whales in a few days he will be off
 in a tangent. The Rapid, Dreyer is just from
 Stokholma she reports the Gratitude with
 300 blb. of Sperm between seasons last from
 Hongkong. I expect Old Paris Killer will more
 than blow now. but never say die. I shall
 live just as long and die as happy as if I was
 in her which thank the Geord. I am not
 but still I should like to make a better
 season than he does but it is a pretty good
 start through.

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May 16

At 5 AM we were called out for whales. The Capt and Second Mate had been down some time, we had not yet seen any. ^{Since} 12 M. when we have seen some very pretty close to them since but that is not the right thing after all. Five sails in sight all whaling. At 3 PM gannet with the Rapid and are going into the ice together in the morning. We spoke the Genl. Williams, Tisk from Hilo. She took 1000 lbs of Devil fish on California. The Capt has his wife on board and the men say he is an excellent man while last season. They gave him a hard name. So much for the women and Pomeroy. ^{Mr. S. Howland} The Spiritualist is greatly changed from the same reason. I expect his wife must have brought some good spirits with her; he has a medium on board the ship and the spirits tell him where to go to get whales.

Thursday

May 17

It was quite a strong breeze this morning, but after some hesitation and seeing the Genl. Williams going into the ice we kept off before the wind and we shaved our way through into clear water at 11 PM. The Genl. was in sometime before us, we had to make all sail and cut our way for a mile with the spades and heaving at the capstern with an ~~is~~ anchor ^{head} on the bows and some part of the way every man was counted.

We raised a whale this morning and another after we got through the ice and chased him till sundown. At 1 PM I went and got a whale to windward of us the Tuke is close too sailing. The Rapid is in the bay to windward and is from about 4 East. For a 12 M. is about 16 miles off bearing about 40.

Friday May 8th 1860.

May 18.

There were whales all round the ship last night but not one in sight after 4 P.M. till just as we were getting dinner raised a whale and lowered we chased 3 or 4 whales I think. It came in foggy and if it had not cleared up for a short time we should certainly have lost the ship for we had lost all run of her. We spose the ship Montezuma, New London, one whale boiling now. We cut off about 12 feet of the deck sheathing forward of the Prop. and ripped it up to get the boards some purpose or other I don't know what.

Saturday

May 19.

The same ships in sight and all have been whaling the Rapid got one and commenced cutting after dinner. The Genl William struck but lost him. We lowered for about an hour but did not get near any and at 10 P.M. spoke and gunned with the Congress, Starbuck, till 4 P.M. at 7 P.M. took in sail and went lay in the air hole to night. The ice has opened very fast today and in a few days we will go where we please the wind is from S.W. and looks rather bad.

Sunday

May 21.

We had fifteen seals in sight at daylight this morning but the whales seem to be rather scarce for we have not seen any for two days now nor any ships whaling.

Yesterday we beat round to the S. side of Jones and then went through the ice for it and at 3 P.M. we were within a mile of the land but had to leave it again on account of the ice. At 11 P.M. we brought to in clear water the island bearing N by E. We were near enough to hear the seals bark at us. It was rather a bad time to work through the dark and pretty strong breeze but we got off with only a few hard thumps.

Tuesday (Wednesday) May 22nd 1867.

May 22

to initiate today and it
is rather delicious for a while this month
but never despair is a good motto and
we are hoping the weather to the 1st till the
ice looked rather thick when we were
gunning with the Montezuma I went on
board of her and got into a gun with the
second mate and found out that he was
in the Florida last season, he left her in
the kadada and went to Cebu in a Russian
gun boat and shipped this spring. Bespoke
very highly of Eliza and gave her an excellent
name that of always minding her own busi-
ness. I drew him out and fairly pumped
him dry: the best war he did know in till
I was over the side, the cook was in the Florida
last voyage and knew me.

Wednesday.

May 23.

The wind came out from
the E. and a good breeze, we started at 10. and at 11. had
made very near a N. course till about 1 P.M.
when we raised a dead, and a live whale. Both at
the same time, lowered down and Mr Phelps went off
and brought the whale alongside we commenced
to cut at 4 P.M. and finished at 4.30. morning
his bone was nearly ready to strap and cut after
about 6 hours work we saved all the
Montezuma is a loss to us we are short and fast
in a large cake of ice.

Thursday.

May 24.

The gale from 4 till 6 below
and then three hours in the day, we started the
works and the oil is coming in fast and
the whale will make 600 lbs and pretty
good oil. we have not moved our position
the M. is close to us waiting for us to get
out clear and tried too but can't get it.

Friday May 25th 1862.

May 25

We worked the ship clear of the ice this forenoon and at 2 P.M. we raised whales and chased them till 5 P.M. we came on board and finished boiling and tanned up 40 blb. and the whale will stow 60 strong. Jammed with the Montezuma and are resting alongside another cake of ice.

Saturday

May 26

The ship laid a long pile a field of ice and we scraped our bow and washed it in hot water. It has snowed and been very thick all day till 4 P.M. when the Mate of the Montezuma came on board and Capt. Kellum tried to find the Montezuma but could not till 6 P.M. when it cleared off some and she had three boats down and soon after struck. They are now trying to get her alongside W.B. but I hardly think they will till morning.

Sunday

May 27

To day working ship to the westward. At 7 A.M. raised two whales close to the ship, lowered but did not see them again and came on board at noon not having seen any more. The Montezuma following us being dead after 4 P.M. we were called out for a whale so they said but no more was found that had been seen by the ship.

Monday

May 28

The wind has shifted to the west so that we have not been able to make much headway. No sails in sight to the Eastward of us. We have been stowing the oil below and stowed 8 casks holding 60 blb. 24 Gallons, in Main hold & Top Tier. And at night jammed with the M. again. Her whale will make about 40 blb. To night we keep going West in the wind.

Sunday May 2nd 1861.

May 2nd

" off day 4th 1861
 were seen from 10th thought rather soon an
 plenty of them. Five sails in sight a barrow
 after us and one or two S.W. I am now leaving
 my the below at 10 am.

Friday.

June 1st

to. Whales for three days
 and not much ice, at 4 P.M. we got out of
 the ice into clear water and twelve sails in
 sight; at sunset gaming with the Maria
 Theresa and Montezuma, Capt. Cook of the Maria
 is on board for the night and Mr. Gardner has gone
 on board of her and her pilot we will be
 tied up to her for a month or so.

Sunday.

June 3rd

Sparks P. in sight and
 plenty of sails are and at 10 am to be working to
 the S.W. Saw plenty of whales but they all
 had fins and ship sailing the rest seem to be
 doing nothing, at 8 P.M. spoke the Willman has not seen
 a whale for a week, she reports the Gen. Williams 300 lbs
 Gratitude 2 whales, Florence 300 lbs and several others
 one and two whales. The old Bark seems bound
 for a good voyage but then I do not regret sta-
 wing her for it is worth considerable to get word
 of her and if nothing else, I heard from the
 Florida yesterday she was in Guam with the Maria
 T. Mr. Brady who was mate of her ^{last voyage} was on board
 here and told us they were all well then they had
 got one sperm whale. We caught a load of the
 M.T. and have it overhead now.

Monday.

June 4th

Seventeen sails in sight
 at daybreak one boiling after breakfast Steered N.E.
 wind from W and looks likely to rain I suppose we
 are going back where we came from. We had one
 Hansail and spoke out to their ship so she will sail at
 dark spoke the Harveest Capt. Carey.

Thursday June 5th 1860.

June 5

Bar was raised at 9 A.M. it appears very much broken and is fast disappearing. We then hauled a back for the Harriet to come up with us and Capt. Killmer went on board of her she is direct from Japan sea, clean 300 in two seasons. At 9 P.M. spoke bark Monmouth Crosby. One whale. Capt. Lee of the Harriet has his wife and two children with him one of them was born in the Japan sea (last season) he should be a good whaler I think. We hoveed a lead this afternoon and picked up about twenty codfish that go thing round with the cold rise to the surface of the water and the birds kill them, I suppose they would come all right if it were not for the birds. we could have picked up two or three boards full of them if we had waited. The Capt. brought on board the head of a made davis and now every one says we are to have five boats. but I hardly think so.

Wednesday.

June 6th

It was quite fine weather till noon when it set in foggy and as the wind is from the SE it will probably hold some time. There is not much ice in sight and what was, was very much broken and will be gone entirely in three days.

Thursday

June 7th

The wind has been light and variable all day and the fog turned into a snow storm at 11 A.M. and is now 10 P.M. storming though there is now a thin fringe and it has cleared up a little at 10 P.M. we made some thin scattered ice and Tackett found the wind is back SE. our course is N.E.

Friday

June 8th

We are still beating along the edge of the ice the Monmouth in sight. She beats badly. Yesterday the wind was light but today it has been pretty strong. I heard some good news tonight we are going Right whaling soon.

Monday June 17th 1867

June 17

The Land was visible

This morning wind some scattered ice we have been all day beating towards the land and now Ten P.M. it looks as though there ~~was~~ is but very little to prevent us from getting in so it except the want of wind it being now perfectly calm the sail in sight I suppose our companion is within view. our course is about N.W. for Three Brothers bay I am in hopes we shall have a fair wind by sunrise that is I in the morning rather early to get up for a days work especially as it is Sept. 4th.

Tuesday

June 18

At 9 A.M. we caught the breeze from N.W. and have steered N.W. nearly all day at 10 A.M. raised a Bombard and lowered further but have not seen him yet. At 4 P.M. we were about 15 miles from the entrance of Three Brothers bay and intend going in there in the morning the ice has not left the bay entirely yet it is or looks rather light and open so as I do not see much trouble to us. The Mouth is close bars for the same purpose I suppose. We have just been making some molasses candy and spinning yarns about candy parties at home.

Wednesday

June 15

It has been thick weather ever since Tuesday and we are just as far from the bay as ever but then one good thing hope never deserts us. We made an attempt yesterday to get in the bay but got into a large field of ice instead. Since daybreak it has been blowing quite strong but it is now 9 P.M. moderating and if it clears up we shall have a good fair wind it is from E and has been so this three days. I should have written before this but I have been not very well for a day or two with a bad cold.

Saturday June 16th 1861.

June 16.

We had our regular quota of rain, fog, and the other affable things which make life comfortable in this country but the rain cleared the weather so we could see a couple of miles and went back in shore at 12 p. M. and at 3 P. M. raised the land and at 4 o'clock hoisted the boats and towed the ship for an hour & kept her offshore and we are now lying off the mouth of the bay waiting for something the devil knows what.

Sunday.

June 17

We found thick weather enough today till about 1 P. M. when it cleared off for an hour and then I put in a good deal thicker than some peoples pie I had of the land showed itself but that was all and if this weather holds we shall burn the north up without getting oil enough to grease our hair and my whiskers with.

Monday

June 22

We are now steering north N. E. by E. and as near a perfect calm as you may imagine. but a little thing with it is we have only about 2 days water left. Since last Sunday we were in the Bitter Bay and out again the L. boat and 18 boats. Started on a cruise the 19th and went round the bay and a short distance towards Horseshoe Bay and saw plenty of ice in the bay the 19th had made it was nearly all gone some of it very heavy. we camped ashore on the 19th and came aboard the next day. we found the ship at anchor near the head of the bay but as soon as we came on board we took the anchor and next day at 6 P. M. we got a breeze from S. W. which lasted till this morning when it left us I suppose a good breeze would take us to the land by in 12 hours but it looks dubious about getting it. The Hannan has been in sight and close it is till this morning.

Saturday June 23rd 1861.

June 23rd

The Lord favored us with a good breeze this morning at 8 AM. from about W. and has continued it through the day. At 3 PM. it cleared off and Bowhead Is. and Cape Oliver about 30 miles off on our Port beam bearing it from us. I bark suppose the Monmouth standing in towards Jarvis bay we also saw a whale going very quick but did not make out what he was he acted like a whale that had been struck. Our course is now E. before we saw the land it was ESE.

Sunday

June 24

The wind hauled out about 11 AM. at 1 PM. and cleared off beautiful the land is close to on our Port Bow and soon raised for the ice extends about 20 miles from the land but is all open and I suppose 50 miles further north there is none. We have been steering just clear of the ice making about Elyt course after dinner the course was East has been so since I expect so as to run clear of the ice during the night though there is not a great deal of difference between midnight and midday.

Monday

June 25th

We raised the East shore after gulf at 7 AM and at 12 we were close in to the beach the wind is about S. and we kept off along the land till about 3 PM. when we sent a boat ashore to try and get some fish but they came aboard at 5 without any. At 7 PM. the wind hauled ahead and we are beating along shore.

Tuesday

June 26

Raised a sail at 2 AM and after breakfast we gammed with her, the Cambria, Rease, & B. 1 Devil Fish this season I have seen 3 days ago on the west shore and we are about over there after them. They had a whale in the air a few days ago, if the breeze held we shall be well in by 5 in the morning.

Friday, June 29th 1860.

June 29.

This afternoon at Pocatoh we came aboard from a cruise. Mr. Wardell & others started from the watering place where we got water Wednesday afternoon [10 o'clock] yesterday morning the ship following us till about 5 o'clock when she came to anchor and Capt. Hillner went ashore to buy some deer or bullheads. We kept on along the beach for about 35 miles when we went ashore for the night and this morning we started for the ship and had to pull the whole distance. The ship was under weigh when we came aboard this light obtained 2 Reindeer and one small deer or calf. one they killed and had some for supper it is very tender and sweet.

We are now bound for the East shore I think but shall not get far as there is no wind the Cambria is close to and has been with us all the time. Yesterday and today two sails in sight but don't know who they are; the Cambria spoke one of them just at dark, 10 o'clock except Grey backs.

Saturday.

June 30.

One sail in sight this forenoon steering along the land we steering across the gulf with the wind from N.E. most of the time though it is very variable. I expect we will be off for Shantler bag before long if we ^{don't} see ~~no~~ whales soon it looks rather dark for a good seasons work now though there is plenty of time yet if we only improve it.

Sunday.

June 30th May 31st

I have made some correction of a mistake in my date but it must be taken as it is, meant not as written. We are now on the East shore again and there seems to be just as many whales here as before that is none we are beating along the shore to the northward I have some hopes of seeing whales if we only remain a few days but I suppose we will be off again by tomorrow night.

Monday July 2nd 1867.

July 2.

Early this morning we went to work and sent down the Fore & aftallies and stowed away the rigging in the room. After breakfast we got a raft of ten casks ready and sent them ashore and had them hoisted in at 10 P.M. and the Starboard watch are now busy drawing the water below we were some time getting the raft off the beach having to wait for the tide to come in sufficient to float them. Once sail is sight to the northward and plenty off. Mussel diggers.

Tuesday

July 3.

We had nothing to do this noon when the Capt. and Mr. Wardell took their boat and went in shore and our watch went below at 5 P.M. we raised two Bowheads close to the ship and lowered down we got quite handy to them several times but not quite they seemed to have just arrived on the ground and were going very quick and in all directions. There was another seen to the windward. we came on board at Ten P.M. and got supper. One sail in sight.

Wednesday.

July 4.

The Second Mate lowered at 12, midnight and when we came on deck at 2 A.M. was busy chasing whales but he soon came on board at 4 A.M. lowered the Starboard and Bow boats being from Ten to fifteen whales in sight. At 6 A.M. the other two boats came down and also 5 boats from the Cambria her boats galled a whale from our boat which we should certainly have struck.

We chased whales till 5 P.M. when they struck off shore. Mr. Wardell had the flukes of one under the head of his boat once today but did not start. The Cambria's boats also got very near striking twice. Capt. Pease came on board at dark they took a Devil fish yesterday two sails in sight. Mr. Phelps is to have the boat we bought off the Maria Thirion.

Thursday July 5th 1860.

July 5

After breakfast the Mate and Second mate went in shore for a cruise till night while we went at work rigging the new boat we have a new sail some larger than the old one and now I expect we shall get around in time. At ten AM the Cambria lowered and at 11 we lowered for Bowheads and chased them till 4 PM. Our other boat coming out to help us. Mr. Wordell got out one but I ke did not start though he says he could have hit him in the small. It was rather a short sight. Mr. Wordell went on and struck a Devil fish this morning but cleared the iron it was not in of any account taking no line. Three Ships the Robin Hood and the Stear.

Friday

July 6

The first thing this morning was launch our new boat and we had her all ready for lowering at 4 PM. but the whales seem rather scarce to day as we have only seen one and did not show us for him. All the boats are making bigger sails I have been at work making a fit as the Capt. allows that he wants the boats to go around in season to catch a whale and that anything in the ship is at the Officers disposal if it will help them catch a whale.

Saturday

July 7

We have not seen any whales to day and the rest of the ships are in the same boat. At 4 PM spoke the Cambria and had a short gun they Capt. have made up their minds to where the whales are as we are now running up the Gulf with a fair wind though it is rather light. The weather looks bad and it did rain quite hard this afternoon. The other ships seem to be working to the south a little.

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Sundays July 8th 1860.

July 8

The wind hauled out ahead during the night and at ten AM we had a strong breeze which has held through the day we beat to windward till we were off a Coal mine there is here and the spoke the Cambrian when we both squared the yards and are now running back where we came from having seen no whales except Devil Fish.

Mondays

July 9

Sent the Mate and Second mate ashore after breakfast with orders if they saw no Bowheads to strike a Devil Fish and at ten AM the Capt. & I went ashore Mr. Phelps remaining on board to finish enlarging Curdsail the Capt. told me to strike a Devil fish if I had a chance and I got within a ships length but he saw me and we soon after saw Mr. Wardell fast he had two a Cow & calf. The Capt. went on board and the other three boats commenced towing and drew them alongside at 4 PM we finished cutting at 6 and ^{are} working to the north we got these off the Black Sand Point about 10 miles South from it.

Tuesday.

July 10

We commenced boiling on the whales this morn the Capt. & Second Mate having on a cruise up the Shore they left the ship at 11 AM; The whales make very little oil as we cannot get the works to burn good at 6 PM I turned in the Mate having his boat crew on deck and ours below. The first thing I knew after turning in was Dan. Shaking me and saying that the Capt. was on board and had got a Bowhead anchored close to the land. Mr. Gardner & Cooper took their boats and went off at 11 PM to try for another while we worked the ship up where Mr. Wardell is with the whale we shall be there by morning I expect. the Capt. says the whale will make over 120 blbls

Wednesday July 11th 1866.

July 11

I went down below at work finishing my sail and at 6 AM the Capt. sent out to me to jump in my boat as was afraid Mr. Wardell had lost the whale we pulled about fifteen miles and found every thing all right we had been within a mile of the whale but had not seen him the boat saw two whales this morning and very nearly struck. At Ten AM we came to anchor Mr. Wardell came on board and at 12 we had the whale fluked and at half past one his head and shoulders were on deck we finished cutting at 1/2 past 3 the other boats came on board and at eight all hands turned in so as to go ashore at 10 AM tomorrow for another try.

Thursday.

July 12.

We all went ashore and Mr. Gardner and Mr. Phelps went down towards the sand point. we saw no whales except Devil Fish at about noon we saw the ship coming down hailing we went on board and having seen no whales we started back to the northward the Cambridge got under weigh and stood over to the west shore the Union got under weigh and tried to speak us but could not we spoke the Cambridge and told them we had another Devil Fish.

Thursday.

July 13.

I have not had time to sleep much less write this week back. but today we are at anchor in the harbor with 120 fathoms cable to our Port Anchor. the wind from SW and blowing hard we have nothing to break the sea from us and it makes us pitch some considerable.

We finished hauling our whale on Saturday last and Sunday stowed 14 bls. the remaining ten bls we stowed Monday. on Tuesday we saw plenty of whales off Shay rocks and had three or four

Thursday July 19th 1861

July 19.

drive away in good shape
 Tuesday evening we came to anchor about 30 miles
 to the S W from here and yesterday morning dis-
 off and at 9 AM raised plenty off whales
 some lolling some breaching and playing in
 all sorts of shapes it was pretty rough but
 finally we lowered the Larboard and Ward boats
 and in 20 minutes they both pulled onto
 whales and I struck the Ward boat last the first
 one and then I struck another in five minutes
 after. Mr. Phelps lowered to help the latter
 kill his whale and we had quite a pull as we
 went by the latter's boat he offered me five dollars
 if I would kill the whale with my iron I
 got a chance and put both irons in his life and
 he came up spouting thick blood we took
 both whales alongside and hooked on to one
 but just then the stopper on the chain
 parted and after parting stoppers and getting
 tackle blocks jammed under the windlass we at
 11 PM sent all hands below but one Boat
 crew having 120 fathoms cable out in 14 fathoms
 water Both whales are hored with 3 boats
 anchors their flukes & chains on and a cutting
 guy has anchor warp if we get them again
 we shall be lucky. The east one had for
 a buoy is in sight and so we live in hope.

Tuesday

July 24

Morning I have a few
 moments we brought one of the last ^{Mr. Gardner's} whales
 alongside last Friday night and cut him on Saturday
 and went to work boiling. Sunday we finished
 boiling and lowered about 3 PM for whales and the
 Capt. struck one. Willardell another we eat them
 both and last night about 4 PM the Capt. took
 another the whales are very still and plenty of them

Thursday July 26th 1860. Wednesday 25th

July 25.

I have made a mistake in my reckoning and the last 4 days work must be dated one day later each. Yesterday the 24th, Mr. Wardell struck a whale and he knocked the head of his boat in and rolled him over the Capt. was close to and picked the crew up and righted his boat and then came to where we were trying to get fast to the whale he had his whob line and finally Mr. Phelps got me close enough so I put one iron through his flukes it was a long dart and nothing but his flukes and those under water the Mate said he never saw a whale struck at the same distance. The Capt. then struck and then the Cooper got a lance at him and set him spouting thick blood we took him alongside and cut him in.

This morning we stowed down 49 bbls of oil in the Main hatch and there is about 80 bbls turned up on deck we started work yesterday. Allen just came below and says that Peter Kenaka is dead he has been sick a long time and we have expected it this long while.

I have completely lost my reckoning some say this is Wednesday and some say Thursday. I shall have to ask the Capt. or the Mate which it is. The Mr. Phelps acts as though the Cooper and I were trying to get his berth but he may rest assured of one thing that some one or other will have it when this season is over but for working him out of his berth I never thought of the thing he was mad because the Cooper killed this last whale Cooper has killed three one with his irons the others with the lance the Capt. lets him kill all they strike. And he told Mr. Phelps to let me lance this whale but I would not do it because I knew Mr. Phelps has the idea I want his berth in fact he has said so. In my opinion Mr. Phelps is afraid of a whale and that is the reason he has not struck any whales this voyage.

Saturday July 28th 1836

July 28

We finished of hoisting the 27th and stowed down 30 bbls. of oil being all the main batch with hold. The 26th Mr. Gardner, Mr. Phelps took all the Kanakas in the ship and went ashore and buried Peter Reddick the 25th. I must straighten up my Chronology a little Mr. Wardell took his last whale the 24th and his first one the 22nd. The Capt. one on the 22nd and another the 23rd.

Today the 28th we stowed down the remainder of the C^o (off end) in the Forehold ground tier 60 bbls. and have some ten or fifteen remaining on deck. It has been thick all day and blow quite sharp from the SW. for three or four hours. It acts now as though it would be good weather in the morning. Yesterday we saw plenty of what very large ones of the Islands, but being morning could not get fast the Capt. chased them all day we did not see them from the ship till night. The thick weather we now have set in this present morning.

Sunday

July 30

The weather came out clear and a strong breeze from SW. we running up the Gulf at 4 PM raised whales and lowered down the boats. The Capt. struck in about an hour after lowering we pulled up and fastened to him second boat and in a few minutes we had him spouting blood the Cooper killed him. we took the whale alongs and finished cutting him at Ten PM and the watch set we have just finished clearing the decks more 12 o'clock and I felt upon I feel greasy and tired, but shall feel better if we get another tomorrow as I think we will as the whales are as still now as they were when we first found them.

The whale will make about 45 bbls.

Monday July 31st 1860.

July 31st

We raised the whales at about eight o'clock this morning and lowered down and after running away fair play from three good chances of striking a whale came up under our lee and Mr. Phelps got me near enough to get one iron in the whale it was a long dart. The Capt. asks where he could see it fair and said it was over five fathoms but I think he rather overrated it. We took the whale a-boardside and said him in he will make about 120 blb. I think. We started the wrights at about 10 P.M. and at four hours we boiled sixteen barrels.

Wednesday

July August 1st 1860

We have not seen any whales today but at 12 M. saw a sail to the leeward with all sail out beating up to us. At sunset she was about 10 miles off we call her the Robin Hood, the whale makes oil very fast and very white.

Monday

Aug. 6th

It is now 5 minutes of 12 and I have just came down off the Foretop sail yard where we were furling the sail having just let go our anchor nearly to the head of the N.E. Gulf at least as far as any ship has ever been. The Eliza C. Mason is with us she is just from the Japan sea with 4 whales and 2 since coming in sight of us on Wednesday. We got one and she took 2 last Thursday the 2nd Mr. Gardner struck the whale. Since Thursday we have not seen any whales till this afternoon when we saw plenty of them breaching and raising the devil generally. The Cooper took the S.B. and got on to a whale but his boat's crew would not start his irons claiming the whale was too far off 2 fathoms being the farthest any of the boats crew placed the distance at. We towed down 6 blb. of today and 6 blb. the 2nd and 6 more the 3rd of August. and some fair blb. to 12

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Aug. 7.

This morning we went to work and beat a new strain top sail for Spunker and Harry Spencer. The wind being only a strong breeze we had a considerable other work to do and left the Starboard watch blind. Their sails were turned in after dinner but about 3 P.M. the ship commenced to drag and went off about 5 miles an hour right dead to windward and at this time it was blowing like the devil at 7 P.M. called all hands and tried to take the anchor in. We hove in about ten fathoms of cable when the hawse pipe went about 18 inches over to Port. we then slipped the anchor and 60 fathoms of cable and run down where the C.T. Mason was lying and brought to with the Star. Anchor and 45 fathoms of our large cable. we broke out our spare anchor which weighs 2400 lbs. and stowed it and put it over the bow ready for letting go if occasion requires. The wind has at last died away and now Len P.M. is almost calm.

Wednesday.

Aug. 8

We weighed anchor at 7 this morning and commenced beating up towards the place we slipped over anchor yesterday and by 12 o'clock were right on the spot but there was no sign of any buoy to be seen we rounded there a short time and then gave it up and in half a hour raised whales and lowered two boats but they soon came aboard. At 1 P.M. we let go anchor and will lie here till the Ebb begins to run. Capt. Smith was on board this morning and says there is not oil enough in the Gulf to keep him here longer than it will take to get out of it, he says he has worn his lead all up on the rocks, standing; in the time he has been here but Capt. Kilmer means to try it a while longer and see if he can get a few more whales.

The way August 9th 1861.

Aug. 9.

We took our anchor at 9.40 the Tide having commenced running out it has been about 12 or 13 feet high while high before where we laid our boat a strong ebb tide till ten the morning. The weather is fine but there is such a haze on the water which hangs about as high as the foreyard that you cannot see over half a mile. The Carpenter has been busy cutting out the broken house pipe and we shall have it patched up with some thing or other till we get into port. The Pipe had no support but a Piece of common white pine instead of oak as it should have been but the Capt. says he will have an oak piece set in on each side if it can be had in Honolulu for money. We have seen nothing like whales today.

Friday.

Aug 10.

We turned out this morning at 9 and found Mr. Widell and the Capt. had been chasing whales all the mid watch and we soon raised them and lowered all the boats at 4 and in about fifteen minutes I was near enough to start at one but he was a little too far off for me the whales were all scooping in five minutes the Capt. had two irons into an whale but after taking 20 fathoms of line he drew the first iron and parted the Shortwarp I expected the whale got a turn round his flukes but the first iron was not togled but it was in solid. It was thick fog all the time we were down but cleared up soon after we came on board long enough for us to see the Marion sailing as the Capt. says and then shut in thick it has been almost raining all day and very thick we have seen no more of the whales.

Saturday August 11th 1860.

Aug. 11

We have seen a few scattering
whales to day they were all going quick and lowered
twice but did not get near any and spoke the
S^r Mason. She did not get a whale yesterday as we thought
they on the contrary of getting one never saw
but one all day and a few today. It has been thick
all day occasionally lightning up so we could see
3 miles and just after dinner it was quite clear
but it is now as thick as mud and raining sweetly
last night the Mason came very near running
into us the gale cleared us but we knew
nothing of it till they told us to day it was in
Mr. Phelps watch and Capt. Hillier did not
much like his not knowing anything about it
I am not in the good grace of our worthy
mate and third mate because I started it a whale yester-
day; they told the Capt. I tried to strike the
whale six fathoms off and came very near doing it
and there is their orthodox distance but the
Capt. has told me to try every whale I think
I can possibly reach so they want make
over six cents on that move

Sunday.

Aug. 12

This has not appeared
much like Sunday for me it has been such disagreeable
foggy or I suppose you ^{shore people} would call it rainy weather.
I did get up quite a tolerable breeze this fore-
noon and we double reefed the top sail but
it has now settled back into its old place
a good steady breeze which the Capt. tries to make
out to be a S.W. gale but it is no go.

The fog cleared off just after Seven P.M. and
we found ourselves over on the east shore and
to windward of Hay Rock. The Mason two miles off
and dead to leeward it remained clear about
ten minutes when it shut in thicker than ever
it just cleared off so we know where we were.

Monday August 13th 1860.

Aug. 13

The weather cleared off
 for about 4 hours from 11th 3 and then shut in
 a thick gyspal we raised anchors and moved
 for them about 1 P.M. but coming on foggy we came
 on board again and are now patiently wait-
 ing for good weather to come the wind still
 holds S.W. and has settled down to a light breeze.

Tuesday

Aug. 14

It cleared off finely this
 morning at 11th 6 and at 11 we lowered for
 whales about twenty being in sight and after
 chasing them till ten P.M. we came on board as
 soon as we went down the Mate got near enough to
 prick one in the small and Mr. Wadell got within 2 fathoms
 of ones head scoping, but I don't know why they did not
 strike. The whales were very plenty but were all
 on the move though we had a fine breeze to
 follow them with. One laid in sight in the S.W.
 and leaving the gulf as fast as she can.

Wednesday

Aug. 15

At 4 this morning the
 Capt. and Mr. Phelps lowered down and commenced
 the play the whales were all around us it being
 one continual puff and all sides of us at 6 the
 first and second Mats lowered and the Mate and us
 got about ten miles from the ship when it com-
 mencing to breeze and fog coming we started
 for the ship we got to the at 12 o'clock and found
 the Capt. had struck a whale and had ^{just taken} him alongside
 they had the whale fluked once but only one side of his
 flukes instead of both were in the chain. We commenced
 cutting and at 1 P.M. we had the last piece it blew
 strong while we were cutting but moderated down
 soon and at 4 P.M. sent the water below the whale
 will make about 100 bbls. a few more such whales
 will make us up a good season and I think we
 will get them. Mr. Wadell got on to one near enough to dart at it was
 a good distance and the iron slid right upon his back.

Thursday August 16th 1861

Aug 16

We started the whales this morning and as soon as the pots began to warm found that the Starboard Pot was cracked so badly that it leaked oil very fast we went at work and took it out and put another in its place. At 10 till 3 P.M. when we started the fire again, we saw two whales but they were going quick and we did not lower.

Saturday

Aug 18th

We finished cutting another whale this morning about 4, and our watch got 2 hours below making two out of 36. The Capt. struck this whale. In the morning (yesterday) we raised whales and lowered at 6 and a half then till about 5 P.M. when the Capt. who had gone on board at ten AM lowered again and struck we took the whale alongside and finished cut at 4 this morning. We had to coal down tonight it rains so hard we cannot boil.

These two whales will make us up a good 100 in the Sea besides our Spinn and I think we will raise a few more at least there are plenty here.

Sunday

Aug 20

Since last Saturday we have been very busy stowing down the Oil and getting two casks of water in all about 100 bbls. we had three stow stows to the two whales in all 175 bbls. another hundred will very near if not quite chafe off the lower hold. The gun down to which rock and laid there with the mason three days we are now back in the gulf this morning at 4 raised whales and lowered and about 11 past 9 Mr. Gardner went alongside of a large whale and Allan put his first iron in about through the blubber and the second in about 4 inches the mate gave the whale nearly all his line and then the iron clamped the second one had washed out before so the whale walked

Sunday August 26th 1860

Aug 26

off all right it was a good haul the whale being within a fathom of the boat and neither iron went through the blubber far enough to break the pegs in them the amount of it is the whale was lost when thought to have been in the blubber room now.

At 4 P.M. we double reefed the topsails and are now beating against a Sou'wester as the Logified and Flower-
sues call them but what I call a good strong breeze.

Thursday

Aug, 30th

We have had no weather that may could call fine but it has been good whaling weather for all that. This morning we ran off before the wind to Umbrella Pt. but saw nothing off the station. At noon we hauled out the wind with a Main topsail set and flying jib set and courses the other topsails reefed and at 2 P.M. raised whales close to the ship and they went lower for them they are large whales and very still there is no wind and but little sweat not anything to prevent our lowering excepting the will to do so the men and boatstewers all want to lower but the Officers and Capt. don't as yet as they have the day why we must rest contented and see the money lying close by us and cannot get it as it is a sure thing we would get a whale if we should lower.

Monday

Sept 1

We are now lying to under our topsails the wind from the N.E. we have had several good days being afraid to go up the gulf some fifteen miles though it has been good weather the last 4 days the Capt. says himself that it was good weather but he could not tell when a sou'west gale would come on I told him I thought it was time we had one as we have expected it and almost prayed for it the whole season the gale we now have is a good one though it is now broken it commenced yesterday at 6 P.M.

Thursday, September 16th 1860

We are now off Tanaka's Bay. To get wood and water we are entirely out of wood, having burnt every thing in the shape of wood in the ship.

As soon as our supplies are on board we are going on the Right Whale ground to cruise out the remaining days of the season. It has been splendid weather since Monday and looks as though it would be for a few days at least. The air has grown quite cold and it is quite evident by the Barometers our noses that winter is close at hand.

Sunday

Sept. 17th

This makes three days we have been trying to get into the Bay and have not succeeded. We are now in P.R.M. in the passage but the wind is very light and shifting about so it is difficult to tell where it will be from for five minutes at a time. We saw a Carcass this afternoon it appeared to have been killed then or four days this gives me some hopes of finding whales inside.

Monday

Sept. 18th

We are now at Anker in Solius Harbor we have our wood and water all on board and now nothing to do. The South Boston is here and Capt. Kellner came on board Monday night and said Mrs. Randolph had told him that she wanted to see me so I of course went on board of the South, and had a short conversation with her and Capt. Randolph. They appeared much pleased to see me and gave me lots of news. I had quite a long game with Stephen Morgan he is very hearty and seems to like very well. The Florida had only 300 lbs. about 2 weeks ago she has gone right whaling for the remainder of the season.

Friday September 14th 1860

Sept 14

It has been raining all day and we are lying here quite at our ease but we shall be off as soon as the weather will permit. I was on board the South Boston all day yesterday and had a fine time. The Capt. and Mr. Randolph seemed very glad to see me and kept me pretty busy talking about home and various other matters. It seems that some one or other has been reporting a good many yarns about, my leaving the Bark and they were afraid some of it might get home and worry Father and Mother. Thomas has been in a sweat to find out the true state of the case but when they saw him let every new yarn gave me either a different ship or some calamity and some left me still in the bark.

Capt. Randolph told me that Capt. Killmer spoke very highly of me and gave me some good advice with all whether I follow it or not. They wanted to know if I wished for anything but I am well supplied so took nothing but some thingroup hats and a wine glass of Japanese make. Their little boy is a smart youngster and looks much like his father. It is late I must finish in.

Sunday

Sept 16

We took our anchor yesterday morning but returned and let go again at 6 P.M. and have been lying here all day what for I cannot imagine as it has been good weather all day. All the boatstewers have gone ashore to pick Berries and some of the men with them. I heard some news yesterday it seems the Officers feel rather grined that Capt. Killmer should have any conversation with the Cooper and myself about whaling for while we were talking yesterday the Officers were heard complaining that the Capt. thought more of his Boatstewers than of them as he would the Boatstewers where he was going and what he was going.

Sunday September 16. 1860.

Sept. 16 To do and never said a word to them scarcely about it in any way whatever. It is rather hard but at the same time it is no more than what they should expect for there is not one of them that has performed as much real good service for the interest of the voyage as the boatmen - or the capt. has struck nearly all the whales and the Boatmen have killed seven the Capt. two and the Officers three among the whole three. And the season is now nearly over and their good or ill will is not going to hurt me any so I can afford to let them growl as they dare not bite.

Monday.

Sept. 17.

We are now off for Cohasset city to cruise a while and then for the Is. we have up anchor at ten this forenoon and are now sunset outside off Dog Is. We spoke the I.B. they had not seen any whales. The wind is from N.E. and we are going along fine. We have three men on board that left the bar fishing last season and remain here all winter the Dalra brought them down to the ships in Tabuis harbor to see if they could get any Capt. to pay their bills and take them to the Is. none of the Capt. would do it so then men gave the natives the slip and stowed away on board of us they are good stout looking men and make a great addition to our crew.

Tuesday.

Sept. 18.

The wind has hauled right round and we had to stand in close to the land. At sunset two sails in sight one of them seemed to be whaling we are going to lie here till morning then go in a bar that is now on the Starboard bow about 20 miles off if there are no whales we will keep on to the N. Westward our course being about N. by E.

Wednesday September 19th 1860.

Sept. 19.

At daylight raised a brig at anchor in shore from us and after breakfast sent three boats in to get some ^{boards of} wood we spoke the Bark. Alci Frayier, Walker. they have 1000 bbls of casks on shore and a byworks built, the bark is in Horse shoe bay where she is going to winter the bark was fitted for it at home. Spoke Russian Brig Constantine 700 this season she reports the Florida was a week ago off the North city. We have not seen anything but some Linbacks the A.P. boats saw whales yesterday she has only one blowhead she made only 8 bbls.

Thursday.

Sept. 20.

A ship in sight and the Brig at daylight. We hauled in shore and raised two boats whaling and I think they struck but lost him again. The ship was lying on the Port tack with the Fore and main tops set, and the Main tops showed up and remained so all day till 5 P.M. she appeared as though she had some whales very lately or was cutting this morning. At 9 A.M. we lowered for whales but after chasing till 3 P.M. went on board but lowered again at 4 and chased them till dark. I expect we will stay here for a few days we are about 20 miles E. of Beholoh I believe. Capt. Killmer thinks the ship is the Florida but it is hard telling.

Sept. 21

Monday.

This morning we were about sixty or seventy miles from the land not having tacked ship during the night. We raised land this forenoon at ten and at 3 P.M. raised whales the breeze which had been very strong was now quite moderate and we lowered down and after a few Gymnastic performances the whale came up on our lee bow and we ran for 15 min till within about two boat lengths when

Monday September 24th 1860.

Sept 24. Lt. Mr. Phelps let the boat off to just to the windward of the whale and just ^{the whale} hauled everything; however as the boat came to, he heard her and commenced to haul his small up and being pretty long I started and managed to reach him but the iron did not get hold solid though it took our big tub of line before drawing, it was a very long start and I did not think I had him at all. Capt. Willmer told Mr. Phelps some pretty hard things but in my opinion not more nor as much as he deserved. Mr. Phelps says the boat got away from him but there was neither wind nor sea to take a boat from any man that would use ordinary strength and prudence but he is gone and its now use for to cry for spilt milk.

Wednesday.

Sept 26.

We have had quite a lively gale today but it is all over now it was short and decidedly to the point and I hope just such another is ready every day we remain here it is most too cold for any man to stay up here when the sight forgetting anything for it is as small as it is here. On Tuesday we saw one whale and the Capt. sent our three efficient whalers after him and as usual they did not get him or get near him. One sail is sight today the steerboard off about 10 the wind is from NW.

Friday

Sept. 28.

This morning at daylight three sails in sight were stood in shore and about the forenoon Lt. Willmer my old captain in the former they were towing down a whale taken in Horse Shoe bay & he has got this season. I had a short talk with Mr. Babbcock and as it concerns myself only for the present I shall not write it down. Capt. Willmer told me the Florida was at anchor off Cahote's city

Friday September 28th 1860

Sept. 28. and we can see her now plain, after leaving the Jeanette we stood along within three miles of the Florida and was ready for days to go and look for when we raised whales and commenced chasing but they did not show any sight going like the old herry all the time. The Maria Theresa is here and I expect we will have to go on tomorrow certain.

Saturday.

Sept. 29.

Contrary to my expectation we have not been near the Maria but have been working along to the westward with light winds and rather variable ones. we are going to work off Cape Wank. I think it is and if we find no whales then back off Beholst city we will be off the cape by daylight in the morning. Capt Killmer tells me he found the whales off this cape and plenty of them he followed them from Larisk down and says they worked them just as the whales we have seen here have this season. he was in the Euphrates then his first season.

Sunday.

Sept. 30.

All day jamming with the Maria Theresa but this was quite excusable as they killed a hog yesterday and we begged enough for supper. The weather has been excellent all day though the wind is not very steady to me saw no whales and it does seem as though we would be much better off if we were an hour way to the Ad. but the Capt thinks we can get another whale before we go which will give us a pretty fair season. but as we are now we have rather a poor one though better than the fleet will average. Since we left Larisk the ships there have got some more all the Euphrates has gone with here by pots full 1200 this season. We have been working back to the eastward all day but how far we will go I don't pretend to know we shift our course nearly as often as the wind shifts.

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Oct 1st

Monday October 1st 1861.

There were some distance offshore and west of the city this morning and at eight A.M. covered the boats some twenty or more whales in sight they appear to be working to the westward, we got within a Shantar bay of a large whale but that stood in the way so we are just as poor as we ever were the M.T. came in and lowered her boats but did not get near any whales.

Tuesday.

Oct. 2.

There has not been any whales in sight to day except some small huggers the Florida and Maria were jamming and at 4 P.M. Thomas came on board of us and remained till six when the Capt. went on board the Florida and a matter of course I went to see Eliza and that young hopeful; Mr. Morgan, and Mr. Baskin. They were all in prime good health and Eliza appeared to me to look better than she ever did before, the boy is much like stunted in features and will soon be big enough to stand a good fight with him when he gets home. The Florida has 350 now. It is near ship, so same.

Thursday

Oct. 4.

We have our topsails reefed and at 12 o'clock we took in all but staysails and Main topsail also reefed. The wind is from E by S and there is a very heavy head sea running though the wind is not very strong. Yesterday at 4 P.M. we spoke the Florida and jammed till about 11 P.M. Thomas gave me three letters to post and some of the good things among others a pair of rubber boots which I needed much as we have no boots in the ship and I had nothing but a thin pair of shoes to wear. The Florida is bound to Honolulu and then to California coast then Hilo and north again. Capt. Killmer talks strong of leaving for the Islands I am ready.

Friday October 5th 1861

Oct. 5

At ten this forenoon we spoke the Florida she was off for Stokadee and we kept off with her under close reefed topsails and fore-sail till 2 P.M. when we waited for her to come up and then made more sail we intended to speak him to take their letters if they have any to send, and then for Hills our course S.E. all the afternoon it has been getting thicker weather and soon 4 P.M. the Florida is out of sight and I doubt our being able to speak her again though Capt. Hillman means to, if he possibly can. It is now a gale storm and we roll about considerable but the sea is going down fast and by morning it will be good weather again if the Lord only sends us a breeze to help us on our road to Hills.

Saturday

Oct 6

We had a fine breeze at daybreak this morning and made all sail the Florida on our lee bow and at ten A.M. spoke her and got some letters and then started on our course the S. following us. We took our anchors in and stowed the cables and got ready for making a straight make if we don't see Right whales before leaving the sea. Our course is S.E. the wind is fair and we are getting along nicely.

Sunday

Oct 7

To day all hands are busy reckoning up their seasons work and making plans for the future of which as a matter of course ninety nine out of every hundred are to be failures. as for myself I intend wait till I get clear from this ship before I go in extensively in those famous easter in Spain. We saw some sulphur bottom and stumpsacks and picked up a good load of driftwood. The Florida is on our Port quarter. The wind is from about N. 2 P.M. our course S.E. The Capt. says he shall not stop cruise now way.

Monday October 8th 1867

Oct 8

The Florida was out of sight this morning. I slept, and started different during the night. We have seen a few Finbacks and Stomph. The wind is very light but still holds from W. our course is now E.S. and report says we are about 300 miles from the Straits of D.R. but reports are not always true.

Tuesday

Oct 9

Nothing of any importance has occurred within the last 24 hours excepting the wind hauling out about 10 and some rain squalls. At 11 P.M. we had a nice one & got most deliciously damped and turn in in rather a good humor but like all else we have to bear the ill that flesh is heir to. Our course since noon is S by E. Mr. Phelps has got the scurvy in his teeth which belies the adage that exercise is a good preventive for the scurvy as I think he exercises them pretty hard and with the exception of his tongue more than any other part of him.

Wednesday

Oct 10

The weather has been fine the latter part of the day but was rather wet the fore part. Our course is now S.E. since 10 A.M. The wind has been shifting from N.E. to W. but as it is all fair for us we should be contented. We expect to be close to the passage at daylight but the light is not certain as the Chronometer is not to be depended on.

Thursday

Oct 11

In the Pacific. At last we have found our way and at 11 A.M. the land was plain in sight and at 1 P.M. we were through the strait and steering N by E the wind about S.W. and blowing a strong breeze with the appearance of a gale.

Oct 13

Tuesday October 13th B.C.

We have had the wind
blow about S.W. since three this morning when we
kept off on our course. Yesterday the wind was
from about S. and kept backing up till 2 P.M. when
we had double reefed Tops. on and across a '35. 1st & 2^d
Jib & 3rd and took for by boat and pulled
everything but the main Tops. and at 5 P.M. observed that
and luffed too with fore staysail, Main staysail and Top.
and the Bow and waist sails turned up and lashed
solid, it blew a severe gale from S till 11 P.M. when it
moderated and the wind hauled off to S.W. all day but
on our course E.S.E. the ship rolling badly from the heavy
swell running. The first thing today was send in the
bit and mend it and nail a plank on the bulwarks that
was washed off last night then make more sail and
at 11 A.M. we had all sail out at 4 P.M. we took the
Bow and waist boats in and deck and heaved the jib.
The gale blew from about S by E. that is for hours the height
of it

Monday.

Oct 15

We have not had any
favorable winds since Saturday night till this
forenoon about 10 o'clock when the wind hauled off
about S.E. and we are steering E. it is thick fog and a
heavy head sea running from an easterly wind
we had yesterday. We have nothing to do but
grumble about the wind and weather and
speculate on the time we shall get in and
the price of oil when we do get there.

Thursday the 18th.

Oct 18

For the past three days the
wind has been from due N. our course E by N till 2 P.M.
yesterday when we kept her E.S.E. We crossed the Meridian
of 78° last night so that we have two Thursdays in this
week. During the last twenty-four hours we made
27 miles and Lat. 34° 24' N and Long. 77° 17' W. at 12 M.
so that now every day counts on the length of
which we have twenty five degrees to run yet.

Thursday October 18th 1862.

Oct. 18

The still hold a fair wind and it seems to be hauling slowly to the northward which is the right way for us as we have considerable leeward to run.

We flocked every thing between decks off and made a fire for the Bone in the Forehold we broke out a lot of bone from the Main Deck and if the weather holds good we will commence scraping tomorrow. Lat. $42^{\circ}43'$ N. Long. $75^{\circ}20'$ W. M. the wind from N.W. and course E.S.E.

Friday.

Oct. 19

The wind left us entirely today for some time but a light breeze just at night sprang up from about S.W.

Scraping bone and will finish tomorrow if we can have a fine day but it looks to me as though we should have plenty of wind soon but that is all right if it will only come from the right quarter. The men seem to all have the idea that I am going to ship in this vessel as third mate next season and expect before long they will have me already signed and sealed but I don't intend to go in the ship farther than Chile that is at present though I may if things work right to suit me.

Sunday.

Oct. 20th

This day has belied its name as it has rained nearly all day and nearly all night when a breeze came from about N.W. and we have made a few miles on our way. Yesterday we finished scraping bone and have it stacked up on the deck abreast the mainmast. Things about the ship look bad the Capt. and Mate have not been since leaving the sea except on the ship's duty I expect the Capt. intends to discharge all of the Officers in port.

Yesterday we had a strong breeze from S.E. for a short time but it soon left us. Lat. $42^{\circ}44'$ N. Long. $76^{\circ}25'$ W. today

Wednesday October 24th 1860.

Oct 24.

Since Sunday we have held the wind from ~~light~~ to ENE and the principal part of the time a good one our course is S by E.

We passed a ship yesterday morning did not make out her name as it was dark when we passed her.

Send up the Foretop gallant masts and yard for royal and myon royal and set up the rigging to day besides washing bone it will take the rest of the week to finish washing our bone and as for drying it I think it will take some time as we have rain squalls every hour or two. Lat. 35.34 N. Long. 162.33 W. At 2 P.M.

Thursday

Oct 25.

Today we have quite a breeze from about E though it varies two or three points very easily. For the past three days the wind has been very light and baffling though mostly from the eastward with plenty of rain squalls we have made only 4 degrees of Lat. in three days.

On Thursday we passed a ship bound for the S. she was some seven or eight miles off to the windward of us. We finished washing bone this afternoon and washed two boats and put the waist board on her cranes. This afternoon we saw some Fin backs and ran off a few miles to see what they were. Lat. At 2 P.M. 30.58 N. Long. 159.55 W.

Monday

Oct 29.

At two this afternoon we raised a large school of Spinn whales and after chasing till dark we returned and as we went away the whales were still and showed a good chance but they saw the boats and then they struck out for the windward. We had the deck covered with bone drying and made a good lot of ~~bone~~ drying things. Lat. At 2 P.M. 31.05 N. Long. 157.42 W.

Think the Lat and Long is not correct.

Friday November 2nd 1860

No. 2.

I have been for some time so indolent to write anything or in fact do anything else but I got stirred up this afternoon about 4 past 5 by the cry of Land - it proved to be Maui and Molokai the two about 10 M. from us and after marking out our situation the Capt. finding that we could not make Maui and intending to go to Honolulu anyway he gave orders to square the yards and are now off for Honolulu steering N. by E. We have our work in rather an unfinished condition our boards about half of it bundled, the ship about half washed and things generally in an unsettled condition.

We took the trades in Lat. 28. and have had them strong since and I just want them one day more then for a while at least they will be of little use to me.

Nov. 25.

Sunday. November 25th 1860.

Barque General Scott.

I have again shifted my quarters and am now some two hundred miles from Calcutta. I shipped as Third mate the 16th of Nov. and came on board the 23rd we took our moorings and hauled out yesterday morning and at 4 P.M. Capt. Huntington came on board and the Pilot and by sunset we had chosen Boatswains and mates we are bound for the Coast of California after Devil Fish. Our crew is composed of Kanakas and a few Portuguese. We have one white Boatsteward Mr. Duffe the Second Mate is Phelim an Indian, the First Officer Mr. Pearson is from some of the Eastern States Phelim. As this is Sunday we have had nothing to do except to get our chests in order and look around us we have strong trade, heading about N. by E. on the Starboard Tack.

Tuesday

Nov. 26th

Yesterday we got the boats ready for working and to day we made sail and pulled away from the wharves. The boats were very light and I expect will soon leave us.

Last night I headed my own watch Mr. Pearson taking all night in. The ship went well for a short acquaintance and the Officers and Capt. Thus far I am to be very fine men and I think if we can only get some oil we shall have a pleasant cruise at any rate we can but try and I know that I shall as the old saying is "I don't know whether or no. We are going after fighting whales by my neck and will never let break any the younger." Lat. 26.12 N.

Thursday November 29th 1867.

Nov 28

We have again got a head wind yesterday and last night we were steering ESE and part of the time we were making very good time. Landing at 7 P.M. we shot our jib and sent a Vin and bent another and about 10 P.M. we slept that also the sails were rather rotten and there was not much wind. To day we have mended the two jibs and bent one of them we head about N on the Star Jack.

Monday.

Dec 3rd

We have had some rather bad weather for more than three days past. Friday morning the wind hauled on S.W. and at night it blew a gale we steered N by E under double reefed topsails and fore sail. Last night it moderated down and to day there has been only a light breeze from W.N.W. our course is now E.N.E. it has been raining nearly all day which tends to beat down the swell but there is some left yet I expect it has blown hard farther to the South at any rate it gave us a good lift towards the Coast which I hope we shall soon see as I want to see if I can catch some of the wild animals.

Wednesday.

Dec 3rd

We have rather light breezes the past two days but generally fair so all we go is on the way to Jordan. We are busy mending sails and fitting the rigging but take things easy and live as though there was another day left. Every thing goes on quietly I make the most noise of any one the Capt and the other Officers being very easy quiet men though it would do to play with them I think. Course E by N.

Friday December 7th 1807

Dec 7th

Another (or a continuation of the (old) Calm for these two days. but just about an hour ago a light breeze from about N. reached us and we may possibly have done with these calms as they ought not to give us too many for the God is not a very good Sailer and much calm weather will make our passage so long we shall not have time to whale any.

Course E. N. E. if the Lord send us breeze.

Sundays

Dec 9th

At last we have good breeze from about N. it commenced about 6 P.M. last evening and has held us good and strong. They are now clewing down the Fore Topsail for two reefs. We have seen nothing but a few Pinbacks yesterday altogether it has been rather a dull fortnight but as I have plenty to do I don't feel it much. our course is now E by N.

Tuesday

Dec 11

Agale from the N.W. these two days it is now breaking up and we have all sail on again the wind is now about N.W. our course E. N. E. we are making the beautifully left and will in all probability get over next week, we have nothing to do of any account and spend rather lazy but that is nothing as some people are wicked enough to say that seems to be a prevalent disease occasionally intermittent but at long intervals.

Thursday

Dec 13

Last night was calm but at daylight it commenced to breeze from about S. and now we have good breeze from N.W. and the weather looks as though it would stand the pressure Course E. N. E.

Saturday, December 13th 1860.

Dec 13.

Clear breeze. Still holds from Land. we have made two good days run and by this time next week we will be on the Coast. We have nearly finished all the work in the rigging that we intend doing till after we leave the Coast. This ship is somewhat different from some ships I have been in. every night at 4 P.M. we knock off work and pump ship is all the work done after besides sweeping up in all about fifteen minutes work. We Pump Ship every night and morning as the ship has a steady leak from the time she left home it takes about five minutes to clear her night and morning. Course E. by E.

Sunday.

Dec 14.

This morning a sail in sight two points on the weather bow. She is steering close to the wind and we are steering to the wind. At sundown she was out of sight to windward. This is the first sign of approaching the coast we have had.

Monday.

Dec 15.

During the night the wind hauled out about W by N and at 12 M. we raised Land ahead and shortly after a Sail. at 4 P.M. we raised a ships Topmast over the land we then running off S.E. along shore. At 5 P.M. spoke the Electra New London, Brown. She has just got here yesterday. The Emerald is at anchor in a small bay where she took 800 bbls last season. She has her Topgallant mast down and is lying snug enough. It is a small place and I expect we will keep off and run to the southward in the morning if not before. There has been a good many ships along here some ten or more being in Turtle Bay.

Wednesday December 19th 1860

Dec. 19

We have been running down the coast and yesterday saw one sail and last night passed another. This morning we raised Blackfish and lowered down the Mate struck and the Capt and second Mate went aboard and I was following in her Mr. Pierson told me the fish were close to him I went there and struck the other boats came down and Mr. Cuffee struck me took them all along side and got breakfast at M. V. M. Mr. Pierson also took a Sunfish. We skinned and poiled them and there is about 50 lbs I think. The wind is about N. our course is along the land which is about 25 miles off.

Friday

Dec. 20

This morning we were very close in shore having only 5 fathoms water. Hauled all hands and cleared away the Port Anchor and got both cables on deck. It was a nearly dead calm all night and this morning it was very thick fog till about 10 A.M. when we raised the land about 5 miles off our water then 15 fathoms till about 2 P.M. it was near calm but then a good breeze from about W. set in and we kept along the shore we saw a bark and a Schooner in Clarke's Lagoon about 40 miles from Magdalen Bay. We shall go in the Bay in the morning if we have any wind we are off the entrance now 8 P.M. Our Chart says the land down as making N.W. and S.E. but it is down here S by W. and N by E. according to our compasses. I expect we were pretty handy to the rocks last night but as we did not know it why we were just as well off. We saw several humpbacks but nothing else except the most miserable desolate looking coast I ever saw.

Saturday December 22nd 1860

Dec 22

We are now lying again Star & Spro in Margarita Bay. The Onward Capt. Allen is close to us her boat struck and got an whale as we were coming in. I suppose it was a Hump back, we shall chase them tomorrow if any in sight. Capt. Allen reports the Florida in Turtle Bay, with several others. The Bark Harmony is 11 miles up Clark's lagoon and another bark and several Schooners are in it. I don't know where we shall go but expect to remain here and if we can catch the humpbacks we shall most likely stop here. We heard that Abraham Lincoln is elected President if he is to hope he will raise aid to \$200,000 per Gal. and land \$150 that is all the good I can hope for just at present.

Sunday

Dec 23

After breakfast the three Starboard boats went off after a Humpback and about 10 AM. Mr. Coffey struck and but drewed just about 3 PM. he struck a Devil Fish and turned him up he sunk and Mr. Sisson is now off with a boat anchor to make him fast with I expect we shall get him in the morning.

Tuesday

Dec 25

We moved to where our whale was anchored but the Sharks had eat the front end and we have not seen him yet. At 2 PM today we took our anchor and worked up towards the Lagoon. At 4 PM got ashore and after working about 3 hours we concluded to let her rest till the next tide. She seems to be quite comfortable but I expect she will roll me out of my bunk before morning but if she does why I shall think worse of Devil fishing than I do now and that is bad enough.

Dec 30th

Sunday December 30th 1860.

We are now lying nearly at the junction of Clarke and the Main Lagoon we intend to lie just at the mouth of the connecting channel between them so that we can whale it in both Lagoons. A Frenchman lies in Clarke's lagoon and has had his boats off abreast of us whaling three or four days past but have as yet got no whales. we have seen several but have chased none as we are waiting for the whales to get at home and a few more of them. We caught 4 Turtles yesterday and clams and oysters are plenty all we have to do is to work a few minutes and we have enough for all hands it is a great place for all kinds of Shell fish the oysters grow on trees and all you have to do is take your hatchet and chop down a sufficient quantity and open them at your leisure.

Jan 2.

Wednesday

January 2nd 1861.

The whales are rather more plentiful than they have been but we have struck none as yet though Mr. Curson got near enough to dart at one this afternoon. I scared two rather badly to day but they knew rather too much for me but if nothing happens and the Lord willing I think I shall make out to get one before the week is out I think I can strike one if any body can every time we lower I come on board with a better conceit of myself. The James in Lee bay had 11 men run away right before last. The C. Crocker & L. C. Rich have 6 whales. The Onward outside I boiling and I expect will keep so this next two months I wish we were out there with her.

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Thursday January 3rd 1861.

Jan 3

This morning went up the lagoon and soon raised a cow and calf and after a short chase I struck the cow and after some bother killed her and brought her along side got dinner and Capt. Huntington went to cutting and three boats went off after another but we could not find any. The whale will make about 40 lbs I think. I have added to that cow's amazing.

Sundays

Jan 3

Some difference in the late but I have been so busy I have had no time for anything since Jan 3 we have taken 4 whales one of them is alongside now. For this yesterday we are met with the George Howland Capt. Pomeroy of the 4 whales Capt. Huntington struck one Mr. Piers one and Mr. Cuffa one the S.W. struck the other we had two boats strike with one whale one of them lady. The Bark Hornmouth and Brig Comet have gone above the Divides the Chandler Price lay close to us. The Gustave has one whale the Enward has been boiling every day. The Congress one whale. The Bark Delaware was lost in Balinas bay five boats from her are on board the Chan. Price.

Thursday

Jan 24

We have met with rather hard fortune or else have managed badly having lost three whales we ought to have taken one Mr. Weaver struck and after being fast she was drawn from her another stove her boats and did not strike. Capt. Huntington and the C. H. Ward boat while last Monday Mr. Cuffa struck and killed a calf upon which she raised the devil generally and drove us all on the flat she would chase a boat and if she could have got near enough would have made tender of it. I lost the

Thursday January 24th 1861.

Jan 24. whale or at least the chance of striking her by my Boatswain's being sick and the man I had did not know enough to strike a whale. I was within a fathom of her and her flukes under my midship air but the board willing I will make a raise of one yd. The Monmouth has come out of the Lagoon and gone down the bay the Chan. Pair. with her the Onward is in sight from us and is hauling nearly all of the line yesterday one ship that has been with her left she has one now with her the Shenckman has two whales now one struck down the bay. Caught a schooner from San Francisco came here she has potatoes for sale Capt. Huntling has gone on board of her and has not yet got back. This is the hardest whaling I ever tried we breakfast at 3 o'clock then lower and pull about 20 miles if we see a whale we have to run her down if not we sail or pull back to the ship generally we have a fair wind. The nights are very cold and the days very warm and as a natural consequence almost every man is half sick with a cold. Mr. Coffey's Boatswain Johnson was knocked out of the boat by the whale he killed the calf for and being unable to swim he had sunk when they got hold of him he swallowed so much salt water he strained himself heaving it up and has been sick since he is.

rather better now. we have five or six on the sick list and there don't seem to be much prospect of its being any less. The G. H.'s crew a so frightened at the whales that they refused to go into the boats the other day but thought better of it but still they are mighty fond of looking over their shoulders while close to a whale.

Friday, January 23rd 1861.

Jan. 25.

This morning we went up the Lagoon as usual and in Clark's found a whale and brought her to the S.H. She stove her boats for the S.H. and hurt the mates boatmaker how much I can't tell as yet but hope not seriously. I was in the same lagoon but passed the whale without seeing him and knew nothing about it till I came aboard when the whale was almost in.

We bought some Potatoes from the Sol. Olivia of San Francisco by her we have the news that Lincoln is elected President I hope he will have the pluck to carry him through his term without a general smash up. The Bark. Massasoit & Schu Maria have 19 whales between them about 800. The Onward has 23 whales about 900. while we poor devils have but only 130. I saw George Barrows an old shipmate in the Florida he is now in the Massasoit he came here to buy Shocks. J. Ke. Steers a boat.

Monday.

Jan. 28.

This morning we went up and found a whale in Clark's lagoon drove her up and after a while Mr. Reynolds struck the calf but drewed immediately and in about 20 minutes after I struck the cow and after 9 bomb lances were shot into her and any quantity of hand lances we turned her up and took her alongside the S.H. and cut her in she was very fat but not large. I think I can kill a Devil fish now I can strike one any how that is certain.

Thursdays

Jan. 31st

For the past three days we have not seen a whale in either Lagoon and now the talk is for our boats to go above the divides and see what we can do there. It looks rather dull at present here the ships all round us are taking whales but we can not get a sight at one at all. I should like to get 400 but hardly think we will.

Monday February 4th 1861

Feb. 4.

We intended to have gone up to Yellow Bank today but hearing a whale during the night we all went up. Except

Capt. Huntling who has not recovered for several days, just being unwell with a bad cold. While we were off a whale came close to the ship, hauled out from the main D. Capt. lowered and intended to drive the whale up where we were but did not see her after he lowered. We came on board and just at sunset a whale passed the ship going up but no calf but I think we will find her with one tomorrow morning if we do why she is a gone case and no mistake.

Tuesday

Feb. 12

This morning it was rather foggy but hearing whales up, Coleridge lagoon we all went there except Capt. Huntling and found two bulls there and drove them up and I struck one. Mr. Cuyler got to me and fastened to the other whale for him and after awhile hauled them both up and took me to the Howland and cut him in the other we shall take tomorrow morning. Last Sunday I struck a cow and got her in Clark Lagoon and drove up Mr. Reynolds. Struck one there and got her making 11 whales in all of which I have struck 5 though on the ships log I have but 4 the first whale being claimed by the second mate for striking the calf one spouting after it was fast to the cow but I don't belong on Long Island if I did I expect he would have been given to me but I don't care for it more, but little difference to me whether I am credited any or not as long as I am satisfied with my own mind.

Sunday February 17th 1811.

Feb 17

We have not been up the
agoon this morning and have about given up
altogether. The G.S. has moved into this lagoon and
will stay down for the winter bay tomorrow I expect. We
have settled for Thursday and yesterday squared
account. She has 218 blubber oil and we have 200
that is rather a poor seasons work but it will
we shall have this week as we have not seen
a whale since I got the last one.

Monday.

Feb 18

We arrived at anchor in Han-
over bay and came here. Monday night we have been
mending sails and masting ship. The whalers have all
made all left the bay. The Concord and Tupper are doing
out into the Robin Hood. Concord 830. Tupper 130. P.W. 200
the rest have all left the bay a ship came in
just before dark but I don't know who she is.
We have some ^{Col.} papers giving news to Jan B.
from east I should think that the Southern
people had summer and in my opinion
a little blood letting is the best thing that can
be done for them and the sooner it is done the
less there will have to be lost.

Tuesday.

Feb 19

Off. Sea once more.
We covered three boats after whales and Capt.
Hunting got the ship under way and at
one P.M. we came on board and were then just
outside the heads our course is now SE to
emerge for Spinnakerhold and to go somewhere
water and some recruits. Before we go
forth if I ever only come off the Northern Season
as well as many others as of this I shall con-
sider that I have done my share towards a good season.
I mean to try hard and I believe I shall do it for
I think I am just the fellow to find the Right whales
as Potter said and then work north and never struck
a single whale.

Friday March 5th 1861.

Feb 4

We are getting along slowly towards the S. The Trade's bar is very light this far. The hands are getting the boats ready I am making a sail for my boat and as it is the first one I ever cut I have my fears it will not be a very nice setting one but I hope it will as they all seem to think that it is too large and rather a queer cut. Our Course today I saw several Siphon bottoms today

Thursday

Feb 5

We have had beautiful weather this far the wind being light and steady from the S.E. our course N.W. S. We have our rigging all set up our boats painted and all ready I have my boat now on the cranes I tried my sail the other day it sets beautifully and I think it will make the boat go. besides and that is the principal thing. We have not seen anything lately and I don't expect to till we get into the Echo St. At present we are all anxious to know how late news we shall have and what the President is going to do about the Secession movement. I would give five dollars for to day's New York Herald or Tribune just to get an idea how matters are at home

Wednesday

Feb 20

My sail is bent & I am ready anything in the shape of whales that may come along. When the Trade's will to the westward and rather stronger than they have been but still we make slow progress we are in about 1400 today and 17th I suppose next week we shall be principally round the B. laying stand on. I am to have a bomb gun when we get to the id I expect I should

Wednesday March 20th 1861.

we have got one of those musklediggers that I struck had not given Capt. Huntly an idea that I might have some use for one up north. He went all over that the whales I have got are the first ones the Bow boat has taken the voyage and there has been two different trial (experiments) before my honorable self, in our course in W and has been for three or four days.

Thursday

Mar. 22.

I have nothing to write but must do something to pass away the time and fill up my book. We have nothing to do but lie round the deck and wish for something to be in sight just to give a little excitement the weather is beautiful and the breeze steady and I hope to see land tomorrow. Our course is N. E. since noon.

Friday

Mar. 24.

The Grades are rather stronger than they have been and we are making good time over course. We intend to go round the South Side of Hawaii and then make Salina from there to Oahu where I expect we will remain a couple of days long enough to get letters and a few other necessities of life.

Saturday

Mar. 26.

We have been all day off the west side of Hawaii we are looking for sperm whales but have seen nothing except a school of Blackfish going very quick to the eastward. The wind has been light and baffling all day owing to the mountain breaking the trade from the N. E. Hawaii is in sight and will be there tomorrow or next we take our sail as we did last night we were close in to Kulehukou Bay today and could see the S. to Oahu mountains in these places in the most advantageous position and by all odds the best view in the place. They are to be seen from here.

Sunday March 3rd 1861.

March 3rd

We have at last finished our affairs at the M. we got 200 lbs of Sweet potatoes and various small articles we also discharged a cooper (V. land) in Dhevis and left a fourth mate McDell to man in this ship last season and third mate also two ~~parson~~ ^{parson} ~~hand~~ ^{hand}. We could not get any barrel canoes as there were none in the place nor guns & I am forced out of my bomb gun for next season but I reckon I can kill a whale after a fashion if I do not have any bomb. I rec'd one letter from home but had no chance to answer it we are now off before the wind bound for the Right Whaling ground.

Wednesday

April 3rd

We have had light winds since leaving Honolulu were jammed with the Robert Edwards Sunday and Monday we bought 4 bomb canoes so now we have 18 I believe. The Cooper of the R.B. told me that Thomas was very anxious to hear from home but I don't pity him a night he could have come to the Islands instead of Japan this spring I don't feel much pity for any one when their remedy lies in their own power.

Sunday

Apr. 17th

That the past four days the wind has been very light and occasionally shifting with squalls of rain & fresh. The wind is from the S.W. and but few of it. The Robert Edwards is still in sight she keeps just about so far off and I hope won't get any nearer for he is a great hand for jamming and I hope we shall be able to keep ahead of him so as to keep out of the possibility of having a gam. Capt. Huntington don't believe in it and that is one good thing. The time passes off very slow we have nothing to do only wish for a good breeze to take us out to the whaling ground, which a good breeze would do in eight or ten days.

1st sat. April 9th 1861.

Apr. 9

We have had a considerable change in the weather since Sunday night. Last the weather was squally and the wind very variable but towards morning it steadied down from the N.E. & blew a double reefed topsail breeze till last night when we put all sail on her and have had it since. The Robert Eds. was not to be seen yesterday morning. We have had quite a sale of clothes today. we broke out every thing and all hands went in clear to their eyes it will take some time to pay the bills of some of the crew but then what they get now they are sure off. I am in for some shoe leather but other things I have plenty of good home manufacture.

Thursday.

Apr. 11

The weather still continues fine though the wind has hauled round to about N.W. and our course being N.W. we cannot quite head it. We have a new fore and main topsail as we expect some rough weather and the old ones were rather poor. All hands are getting their thick clothes ready and generally preparing for what is to come for my part I have cut up two vests and made one of from the remains and am now busy mending my waisthead jacket in the course of a few days I shall be shoemaker and tanner my boots. Sailors have to be jack of all trades. I am only half a sailor and have more some half dozen trades. one, that is washerwoman I think I shall never be as I always did abhor cold water ~~that is~~ a prejudice I contracted when I was about 2 ft. high and have never outgrown it and as I have it fast growing now (I am only 5 feet) there is no hope of its being eradicated. I have got to the bottom of the page the bell has struck eight so I am

Saturday April 15th 1861

Apr. 15.

We had quite a small gale all the last 24 hours from about S. by E. but now the wind is from E. and quite moderate, our course being S. by E. We are sliding along pretty fair and expect to be on our whaling ground a week from next Sunday, we shall cruise out here till the first of June provided we don't get tired before; and then cruise in the Coketok.

Sunday.

Apr. 16.

This is properly Monday, but we crossed the meridian of 180° and thus have lost one day, this week having but six days in it. It has rained all day with slight intermissions. The wind ^{has} hauled from E since yesterday morning to SSW now and blows quite fresh, we have double reefed topsails and courses. Yesterday (Sunday) we raised Blackfish and lowered her as they were gallied by the ship before we lowered we were unable to strike any. One sail in sight yesterday and today, steering N.W. by W. Our course is N.W.

Thursday.

Apr. 18.

Thick clothes have become very comfortable and ^{some} have come out with boots, Russia caps and overcoats. The weather has been rather rainy, but is now clear, but the wind is from SE and I expect will soon blow up a rain storm; the wind has been very variable, so it may shift before the rain gets here. One sail in sight Our course is N.W.

Friday.

Apr. 20.

It has rained almost incessantly the last 48 hours and the wind has gone twice round the compass blowing a gale nearly all the time, but it has cleared off somewhat the wind being from about N.W. by E. Our course N.W. since six A.M. with double reefed topsails and courses out. We saw some Killers this afternoon and some Right & Left Bats, by 7 P.M.

Monday April 22nd 1861.

Apr. 22.

Yesterday was a good day but now it is raining like the D. the wind from S. our record is. The wind shifts so often, that I don't pretend to keep any run of it; it keeps shifting from E. to S. and so on round the compass and raining all the time. It is from either S. or E. and it stays there the most of the time, consequently it rains the most of the time. I expect by 12 o'clock to night it will be blowing a gale it has every appearance of it now. I begin to feel lonesome we have not seen any thing, now for so long a time but the Capt. tells me we will see whales before the month is out. I hope so any ways.

Wednesday.

Apr. 24.

This morning at 4 o'clock the wind, which had been from S. (and raining as usual) shifted out about 40° and blew a small gale from S. S. W. but now it is quite moderate and we have a fair prospect of a good day once more but good prospects change so quick here it is very hard to suppose correctly. This wind we have is very cold; as we put up our stove to day to keep from chattering our teeth out. We had a light snow squall this forenoon. Our Lat. is 42° 36' N. Long. about 158° E.

Friday.

Apr. 26.

The weather has been clear for a wonder, for 48 hours; but it has made us not much better off as it has blown a gale of wind all the time but still it is had rather a gale than rain.

Our Lat. I suppose is about 45° but don't know for certain. I believe we have not taken another observation for the Long. for nearly a week but I think we are about 157° E. as our compass has been out to the S. the wind has been to the westward and we have headed about N. W. most of the time. We have seen nothing but some hawks and some S.

Sunday April 24th 1868.

Apr. 24

We are now going to
under a cold wind. The wind is from the
northwest. The weather is very agreeable, as there is just rain enough
to make it uncomfortable. Yesterday the
weather was fine - but we saw nothing except a few
H. ptarmigan. I am not in very good waiting hum-
or, as expecting to see whals without seeing a
not just, the thing to put me in good humor in
fact I am as cross as a bear, but I shall lose all that
if we only see some. But I may straighten me
up.

Sunday May 3rd 1868

May 3

Since last Sunday
we have had but one good day and that was
yesterday and then it commenced raining at 4 P.M. and
went all night. It is pretty good weather now but how
long it will be so is hard to tell. The wind all the time
was from a gale from either the north or the south. It snowed
on Tuesday and Wednesday when it stopped snowing
it was a little hail. Altogether it has been a
very dull week, with nothing to do but lie in
my bunk and read what I could find and sleep the rest
of the time; with three intermissions daily, that
were for, or meals which I felt in the
necessity of partaking of.

Tuesday

May 4

We have had our usual
good weather; the past 24 hours, it having been snow-
ing nearly all the time. About 4 P.M. we left the
blue water we have been in, and are now in a
water far whaler, being a most indescribable kind
of Solar; but one that the right whales are
generally found in especially at this time
of the year. We have no line here, but it does
not seem to be so. This line

Monday, May 12th 1861.

May 12.

The weather has been pretty fair today and yesterday but now 8 P.M. it is a thick fog. The wind from about S.E. so there is no hope of its clearing off till the wind shifts. We have seen nothing as yet except Finbacks and it looks like rather a poor sign for getting oil out here, any. But as it is too late to go to the Japan Sea, and we can do nothing in the Okhotsk till about June we must, therefore, remain where we are. I think if we do fall in with whales here and have any decent weather we shall do very well. But the weather is awful bad and so far we have not had a fine whaling day since we came on the ground, and but two or three passable ones. Lat. 52:24 N. Long. 162:46 E.

Tuesday

May 13.

This has been a very good day, the best we have had, but it has become no good, the rain clearing S. at 12 M. bearing N. distant, about 40 miles, we are now on the S.E. side of the Is. The wind has been from about W. but is now from nearly S. and rather thick. We saw the sails yesterday, went for the Arctic, after 3 whales. We shall cruise around here for ten days and then go in the Obutsk, if we see nothing in that time.

Wednesday

May 14.

We have had three pretty fair whaling days, though rather rough, as we have had double reefed sails nearly all the time. We saw Casper Is. on Thursday, and again today. One sail in sight this afternoon, but I do not know which way she was steering, but I suppose for the Arctic. The wind is from about S.W. with some snow ^{only} occasionally. For my part I have given up all hopes of seeing any whales out here, and in fact I have to not had much faith, in this part of the country any time.

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May 20.

...dence this afternoon by the call of all hands³
standing by the boards. we lowered and pulled away from
to the windward, and found that the Right one, was
only a Whangbuck and so we turned round and
came outboard again as rich as we started. The wind
is now from S.W. heading W. our course is S.W. by the
S.W. Lat. 52:22. N. Long. 166:47 E.

Thursday

May 23

Since yesterday we have
been trying to go to the S.W. but the wind has been right
ahead, and we have not gone far. The weather has been
pretty excellent till today, and it is now blowing
about half a gale, and pretty thick. This morning at
5 A.M. we raised ice and soon had to back on
account of it. It was pretty heavy and extended
to the W. and N.W. as far as I could see, and about ten miles
to the S. of us. We have been on the starboard tack all day
beating S.W. We are bound into the Behm's Sea, as soon
as possible. Lat. 52:28 N. Long. about 162:40 E.

Friday

May 26

For the past three days we
have not made much progress, it having been almost
a calm, most of the time. We are now about 140 miles
from the S.W. and a dead calm; but I think we will
have a breeze before morning. As yet we have not
seen anything except Finbacks and such like. Our course is
about W by S. Lat. 51:00 N. Long. 161:20 E.

Saturday

May 28

We are at present in
...not where, but seeing the sun yesterday
and today, we are in a complete fog physically and
mentally. Right before us they heard right
whales a case, to the ship, but said nothing
about them, till morning when it was of course
The wind is now from N.E. and quite a
breeze. A. thick fog.

Thursday May 30th 1861

May 30th

We have not made much headway the past 48 hours towards the Cohasset; I say we have not seen the land. Yesterday we were in pretty close but our courage failed, ^{and we backed out} and at dark, it was blowing a gale, from S.E. to S. and is now blowing quite a smart gale and thick fog. This morning it snowed for three or four hours. It blew very hard last night and we should have been in rather a tight place if it had been from the S.E. but it is all right as it is.

Friday June 1st 1861

June 1st

I have just been on deck to look at the land which is just visible about 1 point on the weather bow it is about 20 miles off; the wind is from about N.W. and if the Lord favors us enough to keep it clear, we will be through in 24 hours or less. I think we deserve a little clear weather now; we have had quite enough of fog and gales I think.

Sunday

June 2nd

Last night we backed and filled, off the land, and at daylight we were close in, and now ^{we are} in the Cohasset Sea. The wind is from about N.W. and is blowing almost a gale, which if it holds on will oblige us to carry sail to keep off the land; but I think it will not last longer than tomorrow ^{night} at farthest, and we can then make our passage called the Snares.

Saturday

June 8th

We have been in such a thick fog since Sunday that I have been so foggy myself as to be unable to write or do any thing else. The wind has been light and from S.W. in consequence we have not made much progress. I have been fitting a rudder to my boat, that carpenter made for me, so that now I am fatter like the rest, whether it will be of much good I can't say; but if others are right they are, at least they make it less work to steer the boat and that is sufficient in my opinion.

Thursday June 13th 1861.

June 13.

I did not intend to write
any more in this (when I wrote last) till we saw a whale
but raising a ship half a hour ago I changed my mind.
The ship is under double reefed topsails and maindail (puffs)
I think she is boiling but she is some ways off so I
can't tell for certain, we have had thick foggy
weather the past week till yesterday, which was just
what we wanted and we have been able to go to the
westward, but I think we are pretty
near where the whales live.

Friday

June 15

We have just finished
an examination. I was playing checkers with Cooper
when they commenced singing and for white water
and we got the boats ready, when they cooled
us down completely, by singing out it was no
whale. I then went and had a look when lo and
behold it was only a large cake of ice, I feel
completely cooled, cooled, off. I am famished.

Sunday

June 16.

Last night about 9
raised ice and this morning we are among
small cakes of scattering ice, it is nearly calm
and the fog is very thick. That little wind there is
is from near N.W. I should be clear with the wind
from there, but this season thus far the direction
of the wind has not had much effect on the weather.
It is very unusual to see ice here at this time of year.
That that is I think the reason we have seen no
whales here. I hope it will come all for the best
but I begin to think that I have another season before
me before I can go home. I should like to go home
off this season but if I can't why I must make up
my mind to it. Sir P.M. It is still thick but
we are out of the ice, the wind has entirely left us
and everything is so dismal enough but perhaps
it is only getting ready to blow off.

Tuesday June 18th 1861.

June 18.
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Leaving early night. The fog cleared off, and it remained clear till today at 3 P.M. when it shut in thick. Yesterday morning a large field of ice was in sight some of it pretty heavy; I went left off. I saw 2 whales was 5:40 P.M. This morning at 2 o'clock we raised 4 sail steering to the S.E. and kept after them, and at 9 A.M. one of them lowered her boats and struck a whale, and was cutting him at ten. Another of the sails lowered her boats but soon called them on board again and at 12 past 11 we raised the same whales going with the windward, we lowered and tried to head them off but they were going too quick, I split my fib and have been making a new one which I think will stand me the rest of the season. We saw plenty of fat seal skin. Some one has seen a whale here today. Lat 53:35 Long 133:30 E I believe this is the same.



W. H. H. drawing
looks like a jaw.

Thursday

June 20.

I made a mistake in the date at yesterday. It should be one day later Wednesday, instead of Tuesday. Early this morning the fog cleared off and at 5 A.M. we commenced for a Right Whale, and the first time he came up Mr. Birson went on to him and he says the Boatster missed him. While the Boatster says he did not go near enough to the whale. My opinion is (and I was pretty close by) that the boat was not as near the whale as she should have been, and that the Boatster did not dare his gun as though he dared to strike the whale. In fact I was not satisfied with the operation of either, but the next whale they go on so will tell the story. Anyway I consider it as 80 blb. thrown away. It has been clear all day. We spoke the Ontario, Capt. Baker he reports two or three ships for two whales, the rest nothing. There has not been such a season known for the quantity of ice as this. The Bowhead has done nothing, and to make matter better our harpoon and Bone is worth just nothing. Lat 54:18 N. Long.



Missed or
thrown away.

Friday June 24th 1861.

June 24th

This morning I sail in sight
one of them, raised under our lee, about 11 AM it
was the Florida. He shot and speared her. At 12
raised a whale but after seeing him two ridings,
we lost run of him, in a little fog that just then
set in. At 4 PM we raised another whale and lowered
but it came on thick fog and we lost the run
as soon as we. They were both going quick, V. O. S.
Saturday.

June 25.

Early this morning we
raised a whale but have not seen him since. We
raised another this afternoon but he too was spooked.
At 1 PM spoke the S. Boston, a Humphreys. Capt
Randolph has been sick nearly all the season. He looks
fairly. Stephen W. looks hearty. The vessels of the Pacific
and Ben Rush came on board. each one whale.
The weather has been thick all inter casts through
the day, but is clear now. Lat. 33.49 N.

Sunday.

June 26.

This has been a beautiful
day, but we have seen nothing, so it all goes for
the same purpose. At 11 AM spoke the Bark
Gratitudine. She was hauled and 160 lbs of sperm.
We have more oil, but ours is not worth near as
much money. The Old Devil is in high spirits
and talks of getting fifteen hundred this season.
I hope he will, and then when he gets most
home break his neck. We are going in close in
land to see if there is any whales. Lat. 33.45 N.

Monday.

June 26.

It was thick this
morning till noon when it cleared off, and
at 12 PM we raised a Right whale, lobbailing. We lowered
down and the whale came up close to
Mr. Birden and I. He was on the whale's eye while
I was right, direct, ahead and nearer than
he was but he kept running for the

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June 26. whale so I luffed too. The whale saw him, and started to the windward quick. We chased him till 3 P.M. when we came on board. And at 4 P.M. raised another whale going quick, we lowered and got the run of him and in about two hours I went alongside of him and fastened to him solid, he took nearly all my line, but when he came up; he bray too. Mr. Pierson went too him and fastened, and got capsized, and stove slightly. It was done very foolishly and Capt. Huntling told him so. In fact he let go of his steering oar and did not work his boat. Mr. Coffey then got up to him and shot two bombs in him and soon turned him up; I in the mean time getting my line in, and lancing him a few times just for good luck after he was killed. We took him alongside, at 9 P.M. and all hands turn in till 1/2 past two. It was very rugged and with my sail reefed, I had all I could do to steer my boat. The whale was going very quick but dead to leeward.
Lat. 55:40 N. Long. 153:46 E. We saw two other whales when we were past to this one.

Friday

June 28.

It blew so hard yesterday that we did not cut the whale, but this morning we commenced; and finished cutting at 10 A.M. It was rather bad cutting but we finally saved him all without any mishaps. I fished the works and now six P.M. the watch is set for the night. It is thick fog the wind from the E. where it has been these four days. Yesterday morning we saw a Right Whale. Lat. yesterday 55:08 N. Long. 152:13 E. Wednesday longitude I think was not correct. To day our Lat 54:30 N. Our Long. I don't know. Capt. Huntling says we are about 40 miles S.W. from where we struck this whale.



BB
I have not time so I am trying my hand at drawing.



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June 20th



This morning we had nearly all the whale boiled, on the 20th. I heard two whales spouting close to us and kept the run of them till 3 o'clock when we lowered and as it was calm took our gaffs; and Mr. Bell struck a large cow which we took alongside of 8 AM, and commenced to cut. We finished cutting 11 AM and it is my watch below to Amerfo tonight. The whale is very large.

Friday Monday

July 1st

This morning we commenced towing down; and have just finished. We stowed 114 bbls in the After hatch, Starboard side, forward. This is all from my whale. Besides about 20 bbl on deck, making 130 in all. It has been thick all day. And yesterday it was thick fog as soon as we brought that whale alongside.

Tuesday

July 2nd



One

This afternoon we raised a whale close to the ship, going to the windward. Called all hands and lowered for him, but he was rather shy, and Mr. Bell pulled rather too close to him and he made off. The weather has been partially clear the greater part of the day. From the log Mr. Bell's whale bled I think he will make nearly or quite 200 bbls.

Wednesday

July 3

We have over 200 bbls of oil on deck and still, some 20 or more bbls of oil to try out. It has been pretty thick most all day. we have not seen any whales. For tomorrow we stow down in the main hatch; provided we don't see any whales to chase. This oil will about the main hatch of oil least we expect it to.

We stowed eighteen casks in the After hatch. In ground the rest of the oil and riding tier. I sent write and more for my shot is full and my watch below is passing away.

Thursday July 4th. 1861.

This morning we commenced shooting oil ~~and~~ but knocked off at 11 AM. We lowered for two whales; they were going round and round, first one way, then the other, finally Mr. Bell tried to go on to them, on their eye and galled them, when Mr. Coffin was right behind them, and I was on their quarter, either of us high enough to have gone to the whales twice over. Mr. Bell was the nearest, but he got there by running under my lee and lifting for within a short distance of me. I told him I thought he gouged me rather too plain and if that was the way, he was going to do I should come the same game.

Friday.

After coming aboard yesterday, we finished stowing the main hatch. we stowed 149 bls. and 13 Breakers beside two breakers which were reckoned in, at 16 bls each. This morning we commenced in the Star hold and finished stowing the Oil, at 11 AM. and then lowered three boats for, somewhat to the windward, but they were shy and going in all directions, so that we could not keep any run of them at all. We came on board at 4 PM. Mr. Bell remained on board to stow away the empty casks, and some shanks, We left about 100 bls of shanks on deck in case we get another whale as we have no empty casks to speak of.

We stowed 84 bls. today and one breaker making small 350 bls. Five pretty good whales, I take it. We saw six or seven whales today mostly small. The Steward rubbed the Capt. figures out, on the slate so that we have no Cts. today.

Saturday.

We raised two right whales at 5 AM. going pretty quick and not very straight in their course, but as they stopped up along while we lowered, and Mr. Coffin got near enough to galling them. We hoisted up the boats and in fifteen minutes after it was thick fog, so we turned back and scraped home. It blows nearly a gale and very raw.

Monday July 5th 1861.

July 5.

It has been blowing a gale from the S.E. with thick fog, yesterday, and today. It was lucky we did not strike a whale Saturday as we should have had to cut from him, on account of fog and wind. We have nothing to do but sleep, and speculate, on whether we are ever going to get any good weather; for my part I think it is doubtful. I think this is going to be a bad season.

Wednesday

July 6.

July 2

We saw a whale this morning at 10 o'clock, but the fog came down and we saw no more of him. At 12 o'clock it cleared up a little and we raised a whale and lowered for him but he showed no chance and we soon came on board. It has been raining nearly all day; yesterday it blew a gale from the S.E. to day the wind is from about N.E. We have not seen the sun for about three weeks, with any certainty.

Thursday

July 11.

It has been a very disagreeable day, a fine, drizzling rain has been falling nearly all day; the wind has been blowing nearly a gale from the N.E. and nothing to be seen or accumulation of miseries, which shore people can have no adequate idea of.

I bought 4 pounds of Tobacco from the Capt. to give my crew. I promised it to them the day I got my first whale, I call it my first as I mean to get another some fine day.

Friday

July 12.

It blew a pretty smart gale last night from N.E. but it moderated after sunrise and has been pretty passable good weather. The wind has hauled round to about S. and I think we shall have a few good days at least I hope so. We have seen nothing but a few Grampuses, I expect we shall have to chase them before long for the Capt. is getting to be rather wild at the prospect.

July 13.

Saturday July 13th 1861.

The wind has been shifting round the compass; a good breeze and clear weather. At 8 AM raised a sail and at eight passed the cutter M.D. Capt. Hunter, she was cutting a whale taken yesterday. We stood to the N.E. and at 12 M. raised two Right whales, and lowered, and Mr. Bell gallied them; We lowered again at 4 for the same whales and Mr. Pearson gallied them; We lowered again at six and Mr. Pearson went over to the of them but did not dart. After I got within one sprout or less. it was quite dark so we came on board and took in sail for the night.

Monday.

July 13.

It has been thick fog since Saturday with a light breeze most of the time from S.W. but now the wind is about S.E. We have a hail out since 8 AM. So I suppose we are off for America. It will take us some time if we have no more wind than at present. Our latitude is about 33.41 N. Long. 153.00 E. As a general thing this season we have whaled ^{decided} to the eastward of where we was when here in the Gratitude, but we have had such foggy weather this month that it has been rather a difficult matter to tell at all times where we have been. The Capt. is not very well pleased with the whaling, so at last Sam told. He is reported to have said "He never saw such work and should not stand it much longer. Mr. Pearson, and Bell are the ones he had reference too. Possibly I come in for a share but think not. I believe he is satisfied as far as I am concerned.

Wednesday.

July 14.

It commenced raining this morning at 3 o'clock and it has kept raining all day but we have a good breeze with it so the rain is not much account. The wind is now about W. Course. Yesterday was a fine day. We lowered for a Run, spack thinking he was a Right whale. It was nearly calm and moonlight. Lat. yesterday 34.33 N. Long. 153.10 E.

Sunday July 21st B.C.

July 21st

This has been the first clear day since Wednesday. We have had all kinds of winds and have managed to get down to 41. The wind is now from about SW. but I think it is hauling and will be on SE before this time tomorrow. We have had plenty of tide rips, about us all day. Lat 49.00 N. Long. 131.32 E. We have about 150 miles yet to do. which will take about 3 days with such winds as we have had.

Tuesday

July 22nd

This has been a kind of half and half day, half clear, half fog, half rain and half way calm. I think that is a pretty good assurance of halves.

The Trak is said at 8 P.M. so I suppose we are pretty near where this ship saw her whale last season.

Yesterday was a fine day. We had a fine breeze last night and all this morning, when it commenced the half business.

Lat. 46.56 N. at noon. No. Long. I suppose it is about 149.50 E.

Wednesday

July 24.

L.B.

Grampus

Lost the line.

It was calm all night and most of the day. This morning after breakfast Mr. Pearson lowered his boat after some Grampuses and in a few minutes struck. We cleared away our boats but before I got to him the line was gone. We chased round after them till noon trying to pick him up again but it was no use. Came aboard at noon.

I raised the Lizard at 2 P.M. I suppose American L. it bears about SSE. from us, distant 40 miles. The weather has been clear when calm, and thick whenever we have had any breeze, which has not been much of the time.

Friday

July 26.

It has been clear and nearly calm, yesterday the same. Last night Sammis with the Harrison, took from Japan Sea with 5 whales making 200 blb. She has been here a month and has seen several whales but the weather has been so thick they could not lower. There is a great deal of fog in Japan Sea. The Othello sunk five whales in Japan sea.

Saturday July 27th 1861.

July 27th

It has been clear and a good breeze all day but we have not seen anything like a Right Whale. This afternoon we raised a Brigantine steering W. and finally headed her off, and Mr. Pierson went on board of her. She was a Russian Steamer from Petropaulski to the Amoor River. They saw ^{Right} Whales today and 2 yesterday about 40 miles to the N. of here. They were very civil and polite. They were fixing their engine and after leaving us 7 P.M. they got their propeller in operation again. We are going to see tomorrow if we can find the whales they saw today. She carried 4 guns.

Sunday.

July 28th

Yesterday it blew quite a smart gale from the S.E. for about 3 hours when it moderated, and commenced raining, and it has come down since till about 6 this morning. At 10 it cleared off somewhat and remained clear till about 3 P.M. Broughton's Is. was about 20 miles off to the S.E. But we saw nothing except a few Finbacks. I begin to get discouraged the weather has been so foggy all the fore part of the season, that I fear it will keep so the latter part. Even if we had good weather there are no whales here. This time next month will decide the matter. At present I have given up all hopes of being able to go home in the ship, I have made my mind up for another season, though we do not require many good days, with plenty of whales to take 500 bbls more. Everything looks gloomy and unpleasant now but it may be only the precursor of better times to come.

Wednesday.

July 30th

Yesterday it was thick fog all day but this morning it cleared off. But we have not seen any whales. At 3 P.M. spoke the Harrison. Capt. Wood came aboard of us; they have seen several whales since we spoke them.

Sunday August 7th 1861.

Aug. 7.

This has been the first clear day this month; but clear or not we do not catch any time except Finback and Grampus and there is plenty of them.

Europe Is is on our weather bar about 10 miles off. The wind is from S.E. and has been a strong breeze all day. Our case seems almost hopeless with about one clear day in ten of fog and when it is clear no whales to be seen. I am loomed I feel in my bones for my fans are acting like His Britannic Majesty that I have another season before me. I can't write any more I must go and fill my weather in Perry David's Rain Killer.

Thursday.

Aug. 8.

We have had a little sunshine today but was unable to keep it up so shut in thick fog at 4 P.M. and is now thick as an old hat fog knows how to be. We have seen no whales yet though Tuesday was clear and a good breeze all day. Monday was foggy and yesterday it blew a gale from S.E. and rained all day. I am afraid the whales are not coming here this season, and begin to think we should have done better to have remained on the Wood Ground. But perhaps this bad weather and no whales is only the precursor of our good fortune yet to come.

Friday.

Aug. 9.

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This morning at five o'clock, caught two Right Whales on the weather bar about two miles off, but at 8 they were out of sight to windward. They were evidently bound for Broughton's Is. We have a strong breeze from about S.W. & hailing about W. by S. and have been on this track all day. This morning we lashed the hull of the *Myra* to the mast head as the *Grass* trees have both broke off. They were rotten as the rigging had no strain where they broke.

I am in hopes of seeing two still whales tomorrow. We are now about 15 miles from American Is. the S. end.

Sunday August 11th 1861.

Aug. 11.

It has been calm all day. Many whales close to us, being many living things in sight. The Sun came out but we had a grand Snorage in one of the boats. I am getting so lazy that if the Lord don't send some whales along soon I shall not be able to move round. Yesterday we had thick weather with almost a gale of wind from S.

Monday.

Aug. 12.

Yesterday we had the wind from about ESE. Partly clear. We started about 4th through the day and last night carried all sail intending to go over to Cape Sabine and see if there were any whales there. But stopped about half way, as at daylight or about 6 AM we raised a ship, and soon after a Right whale, and lowered for him. Mr. Coffee struck and after running for about an hour took his line. We never got near the whale but once and then his Combyan mistal fire. The weather is very rugged we could scarcely pull the boats to windward at all. If the weather had been better we should have undoubtedly got the whale. We beat to windward and at 4 PM we lowered for the same or another whale but he came up too close to Mr. Coffee and went off to windward.

Wednesday.

Aug 14.

This morning it was blowing a gale from about SSE. But clear, the Ship Marengo in sight to leeward, we ran off and have had a gain. They have 8 whales making 250 bbls. taken in the Japan Sea. They have seen some few whales, there yesterday. And are expecting the whales to be plenty here soon as they saw plenty here last season in Sept. and last of Aug.

Early in the afternoon Capt. Huntling came on board and we close reefed the Topsails, blowing pretty hard and rather rough work getting on board.

Thursday.

Aug. 15

The gale still continues. We have a crazy Kanaka and have been obliged to confine him to prevent mischief.

U.B.
Dark the Line
Aug. 13.

Sunday August 18th 1861

Aug. 18

Friday and Saturday were

with good, ^{not very} large but we saw no whales or things.

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This afternoon we raised two whales finning about 100 yds off and too red for them, it was a few papers - calm and we took our paddles, unfortunately the whales came up close under my stern and saw the boat, George started both sides but the whales were too deep and did not get fast it was a pretty close shave. Last A.M. I saw 14 birds. Our dray Hanaka had a good trip yesterday and is now as bright as the only half dollar I have is I keep that polished bright for fear I shall forget how they look

Thursday

Aug. 22

Friday and Saturday were

The day a skylarking and so could not write an account of last Monday's work before.

BB
Aug. 18 From Aurora
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Monday morning the Albatross was in sight running N.E. we going about N.E. till noon when we raised two whales going quick to the N.E. we followed them and at 12 P.M. were within 1/2 miles of them, when we lowered and after being down about an hour I pulled and dalled to them but unfortunately they saw or heard me and made off. But I was near enough to get one iron in the whale's small ^{which} ~~and~~ after taking some line drawn and they got up steam for the N.E. in fine style. I think they were the same two whales we saw last Sunday.

The wind is from about S and has been for three weeks past. Wednesday and today thick fog we started at 10. We have just took in sail and expect we are off Gard Is.

Friday

Aug. 23

It has been raining all day here

whales came close to the ship which galled him. Just at six we spoke the Harrison they have seen nothing since. She reports the Alice Thayer lost she wintered in Kasse Bay. Also the Polar Star on Cape Elephant. It is now 9 P.M. and thick fog and light wind is on board of a vessel here last the Harrison. Mr. Poirer came on board just in time.

Saturday August 24th 1861

Aug. 24.

This morning it was thick fog and no signs of the Harrison. Capt. Wood still on board. At 11 AM it cleared off the Harrison on our bow quarter. The wind from the W. Soon after Capt. Wood left us we saw the H. lower her boats for two whales but they did not get hold of them. The Land about 20 miles off (Round Is.) bearing E.

Sunday

Aug. 25.

This morning we had a fine breeze from W. heading off SE and making good speed till we got within ten miles of Round Is. when we raised a Right whale and lowered the Land W. Boats and after chasing about an hour Mr. Guffe struck the whale in his flukes but drewed after taking half a tub of line out. At 2 PM raised three whales and lowered a three Gallied one, Mr. Bell another, then I got into another and got some in a light. If George had waited a moment he might have had a good chance but by his not doing so lost the whale. Altogether we have seen 4 whales. The Capt. and Mr. Pearson as I understand don't like my whaling to day and other times, all I have to say is if they don't like they can catch them themselves.

Wednesday

Aug. 28.

We have bent a new suit of sails this forenoon, it was a very good time as it was calm. This afternoon it has rained very hard. Monday and Tuesday it blew a gale commencing in the SE. and gradually hauling till it finished in the NW. As usual Mr. Pearson was badly scared he expected the ship to go ashore every min. (I should think) by the way he acted. I expect were about 50 miles W. of R. Is.

Thursday

Aug. 29.

Commenced with a good breeze from NW. During SE. Round Is. in sight and one ship on the horizon at 11 AM it came in thick fog and we hauled on a wind heading to the westward. Towards night it blew pretty hard from NW. at 4 sunset set in sail.

Monday September 2nd 1841

This morning a strong breeze from about S.W. by S. heading in towards the Land at 10 AM. raised a sail and at 12 AM. raised 2 light sails and plenty of Ticker and Tigger backs. We lowered and soon after I got a lead to them. They came up head and ahead but just before I got to them they rolled and brought me off and on and she saw me. She got away by a rather close shave if she had sighted the morning fish. We afterwards lowered for the same whales but they knew altogether too much for us. Yesterday was good whaling day also Saturday but we saw no whales.

Tuesday

Sept 3

We had 4 sails in sight. This morning at daylight. The wind blowing a strong breeze from about N.W. by N. At Six AM. tacked heading N.E. and at 9 AM. saw the Harrison lower for two whales the same I suppose we saw yesterday. At noon it commenced to blow quite hard and double reefed the topsails and furled mainsail and jib. The weather quite thick at times.

Sept 4

Wednesday

3 Sails in sight and two or three whales. The weather good, but a heavy sea running. We lowered at ten AM. and gallied two out of the three. The Harrison also lowered but did not do anything. Just at dark spoke and gunned the Callao. They have seen no whales this season and have had very bad weather she reports the Florida as having had several whales missed this season and consequently no oil.

Sept 5th

Thursday

At daylight lowered for two whales and after they gallied them sent the other two. After breakfast saw more whales and chased them. Three ships in sight all whaling. After dinner lowered and Mr. Coffee struck two whales at once consequently one was drawn and the short warp parted. The whales were finning. We have seen 4 whales some say 5. The Callao has a whale alongside.

Friday, September 6th 1861.

Sept 6.

The weather was fine this morning till 8 A.M. when the fog came down thick as mud and remained so till 3 P.M. when it cleared off fine and Geo. Right & Hales close by; I lowered the boats and got close to the whales ^{hairs} but as I was on this eye I waited for another rising but Mr. Pierson was so afraid I should get hold of one he must run for them and after they went down galloped them. Capt. Hunting was high about it but of course said nothing as it was Mr. Pierson. This is not the first time this season I have had a whale drove away from me but it must be the last or there will be trouble.

Saturday.

Sept 7.

It was blowing a gale of wind, till 12 P.M. when it moderated and we ran off and at 4 P.M. the Harrison & Hales both boiling and whaling. We run over two or three but did not see them till too late. A sail in sight - South Boston m. Round Is in sight bearing E. distant 35 miles. We have been whaling this week about W. of R.I. 400 miles.

Sunday.

Sept 8.

It has been calm all day. We have lowered three times since 10 A.M. but with no good success. The first time I got on to the whale within six fathoms when my boatmen thinking they were high enough to strike the whale and not liking the looks of the whale's head gave up paddling; the whale saw us and after looking at us all he wanted to be went off about his business. 3 sails in sight two boiling. We are 30 miles W. of R.I. Long. 75° 31' E.

Monday.

Sept 9.

This morning a fine breeze at 1 A.M. lowered for two whales. I got within two fathoms of their flukes when they kicked and away they went to the leeward I followed and got almost on them again. The other boat went on board and raised another whale but did not get very near him. Hoisted the boats up and doubled back blowing almost gale from SE at 1 P.M. at 2 P.M. close reefed. 11 P.M. and have to blowing hard 3 sails in sight none boiling.

Wednesday September 11th 1861.

Sept 11

The morning was a fine day all day but a heavy sea running from the gales yesterday. Wind from W.S. just as the sun went down raised a light breeze close to the ship and lowered but it was dark before we got where he was. Sails in sight one whaling.

Thursday.

Sept 12

This morning early saw one whale going quick to the windward, did not lower. A Bark homeward had her boats down twice today. Five sails in sight two whaling. Wind from S.W. At 11 A.M. spoke the Harrison. She reports the Gustav B. just from the bays claim, the Boatmen have done nothing, one ship, the highest she heard of. Capt. Randolph is nearly dead they hardly expect he will live to reach the S. S. will come rather hard on his wife I fear. Five sails in sight.

Friday.

Sept 13

This has been a pretty good day though the sea is still running from our Gale of yesterday. We saw the Callio lower and strike a whale but I believe they lost him. The wind from W.S. since Friday morning.

Saturday.

Sept 14

This morning calm and one whale in sight, we lowered but he heard us long before we got near him from the way he acted I think it was the whale the Callio struck last night yesterday as it was noon. At 2 P.M. spoke the Albatross (Beetle) just from the bays. She reports the Callio 100 bbls. the 2nd of August. I am real glad and hope he will get more. While Tanning lowered for two whales a Coward Gull and Mr. Bell struck the Gull one of his men jumped out of the boat and while I was picking him up the whale got by me. I would have left the vessel to drown if I had not thought he would strike the whale and pick him up too. The whale ran to windward and not having any daylight to catch. It is very dark, the wind from about S. There are whales.



Wednesday, Sept. 18th 1861.

Sept. 18.

This morning a light wind from W. but gradually increasing to quite a smart breeze. We were steering S.E. when we raised a whale and lowered for him, Capt. Huntling undertook to go to him but only got near enough to catch him. Since then we have seen nothing, Land and the Alie in sight. Yesterday we saw nothing though we saw the Alie with her boat down.

Thursday.

Sept. 19.

Fine clear weather and a fine breeze from S.W. to W. The Alie close to. We are getting ready to leave this country I think though Capt. Huntling as yet says nothing. but we have not been working to the S.W. these past 4 days for nothing. No whales in sight to day.

Sept 20. Friday.

Sept 20

Last night we took in sail but run all night and this morning we were exactly off the 30 passage and N. Six A.M. kept off S.E. The wind has been light from about N.W. Now we are close to the passage and if the breeze holds we shall be out of sight of land in the morning. I think this will be the last days work I shall ever write in the Chukot Sea. That is predicted I can get an honest living on dry land.

Sunday.

Sept 21.

This morning we crossed the Meridian of 180. having been 8 days and a half doing it. We have had one pretty heavy South Easter with that exception the winds have been light but mostly fair. This afternoon we had a pretty smart squall from about S.E. but the wind is now out S.W. and a fine breeze our course for the past five days has been E. by S. It is rather dull work this making passages and now in particular as we have no act. I don't know what I shall do I sometimes think of trying another season. Katter times I think I will stay at home and see if I can make a living there. I am waiting to see what will turn up.

Oct. 6

Sunday October 6th 1861

I have been too lazy to write about this passage. We have now reached the E. of 40th Long. of 160th. The winds have been mostly from SW and SE. It is now blowing a strong breeze from SE being within a point of right ahead. I hope we shall get good news when we get in as I have had such bad luck (by the way I do not believe in luck) that I want some recompense in good news of others at home.

Tuesday

Oct. 8.

The wind has favored us some since Sunday we are now heading SE, but our course is nearly SSE, we are nearly in the Longitude of Maui. It is fine weather but rather warm. All hands are making calculations on how much longer it will take us to give her ten days some more and others more sanguine less. Lat 37.23 N. Long. 138.03 W.

Thursday.

Oct. 10.

It is beautiful weather, the wind veered from SW and a good breeze. We have as yet done nothing about the ship. Mr. Pison being too lazy I believe; Well it is perhaps my gain if I leave her in the Is. I have been thinking strongly of going the rest of the voyage and then getting as far west as I can and endeavor to remain on land. It is rather hard thought after spending seven years whaling and making nothing so leave it now because I can make nothing in the future at it. If I leave whaling or the Sea I am too old to learn a trade and know nothing about business provided I had any money to start with. So that the only resource I see left for me is to turn Farmer at fifteen dollars a month which is dreadful looking regard to work and wages. Lat. 32.46 N. Long. 155.32 E.

Oct 12.

Saturday October 12th 1861.

We have been polishing the old Gent's Sides inside I mean ready for good where we will by Tuesday night next. Yesterday the wind was strong from the N. with heavy squalls after wind and rain till the dog watch when it hauled out about N. and this morning came out N.E. We consider ourselves lucky however to get the Trader without any Delays. We have one man sick with a bad cold (or fever) caught from sleeping on deck and three or four cannot see anything nights and but little days from the same cause. It is the effects of the flooring shining on their pale faces when asleep I suppose.

Sunday.

Oct 14.

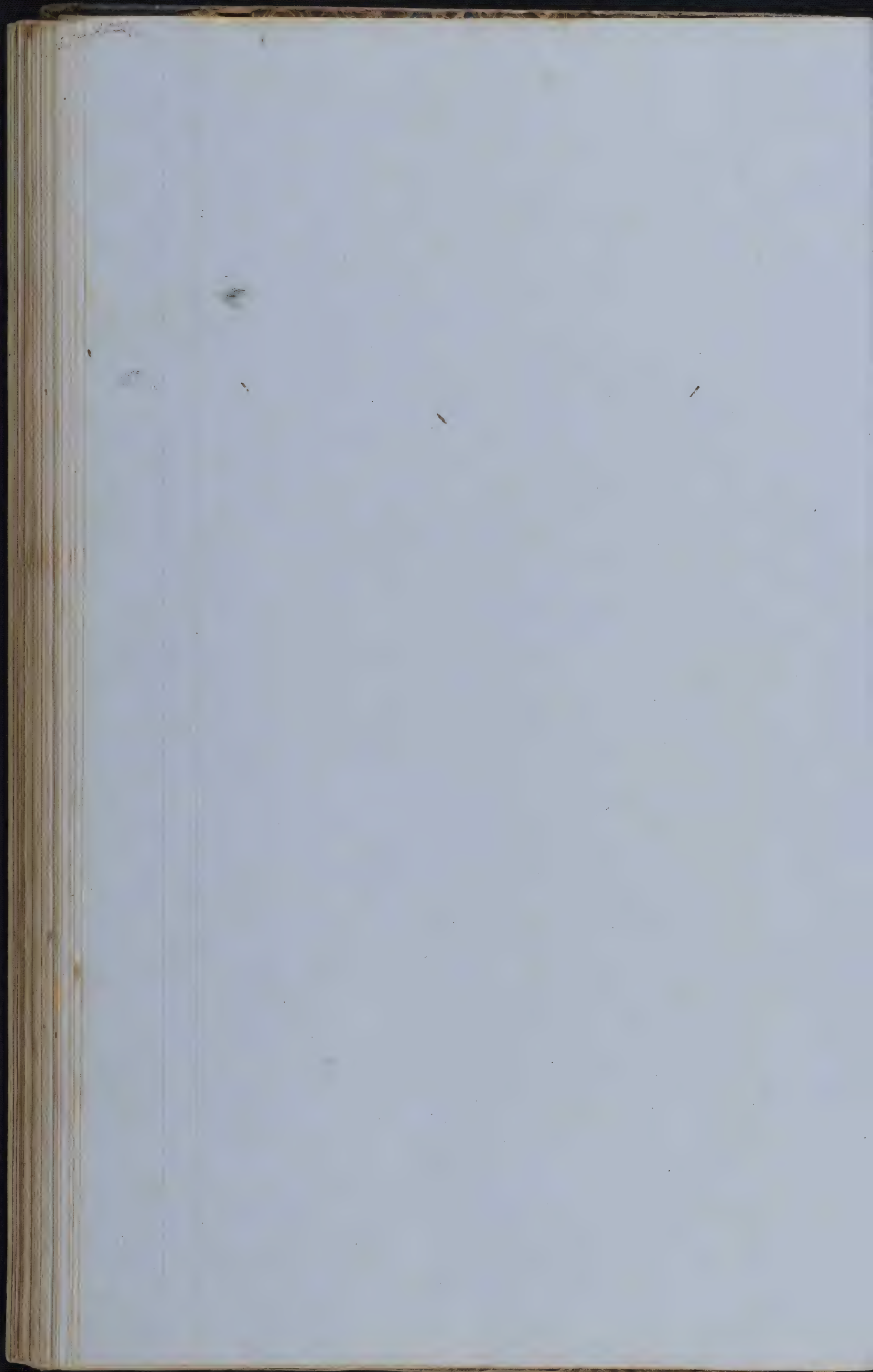
The first thing this morning we sent down the Hizen Cross-keels and sent up the new cross Truss-trees the Carpenter had made, we had everything all right again at 4 P.M. And Rattled the Fore Rigging down with new stuff. The ratlines on the fore rigging are put on in hawed shape but Mr. Pierson was there himself so if it suits him I don't care, though if I had the say they would have to be all taken off again. I should have been ashamed to ^{have performed} such a piece of work when I first went to sea. If they are straightened while I am in the ship I mean to try my hand at them.

The wind has been very light and well to the S. but if we can get a good strong breeze to night we will go in tomorrow night. One Sail in sight. Lat. 24.22 N. Long. 153.30 W.

Tuesday.

Oct 15.

This morning the Bark Belle of F. Haven. left from Japan bound for Oahu. Capt. Brown came on board and remained nearly all day. At 7 P.M. Raised Land, New. distd. certainly 83 miles of Latitude. The wind has been stronger this afternoon and in six hours more we will be off the passage.



On Board Ship Challenger off Columbia, 28th Dec. 1861.

Dec. 28.

This morning we got all ready for sea and at a little before 12 M. we took the anchor and in tow of the tug Pole started on our year's cruise. After getting out of the passage we set the Top & Topgal Centreails and at 2 P.M. till 2 P.M. when we tacked and stood in shore till 4 P.M. when we wore off shore the bearing light. This afternoon we washed the decks and chased our Boatswains and the Watches. We are now Six P.M. about 15 miles S.W. by W from Diamond Head.

Saturday.

Dec. 29th

This morning at daylight we were about 40 miles from the land and it took us till 4 P.M. to get within 10 miles of Diamond Head where Capt. Kellner came off to us in a shore boat with the Cuban Boy. The wind has been light all day from S.E. as soon as Capt. K. came on board we commenced working to the Southward the J.B. and several other crafts in sight.

Sunday.

Dec. 30th

The wind has been very light during the night. The South Boston close to and at 4 P.M. Capt. Kellner went on board of her and remained till after 7 when we came on board and commenced working to the Southward as fast as possible.

Monday.

Dec. 31.

This morning commenced stowing our cables and anchors. We had all our chain on deck and coiled it thoroughly then stowed it. The Buns were small to hold the chain so some 20 fathoms were stowed between decks. Capt. Kellner has been all day on board of the J.B. Carpenter has finished mending the Cabin's boat (the 4th Cabin) but we shall not put her out for some time yet and meanwhile he will use the Shoreward Boat. When I shipped it was to keep the Ship's Log but now Capt. Kellner says he shall do it himself. So I shall after this keep mine in Log fashion.

U.S. (Motto) Bount and Cruise on the Line
Tuesday.

Dec. 3rd

Commenced with light winds from about ESE. The ship makes about 154. The Sails, Bunt close to. Capt. Stillman on board of her. At work Stowing and oiling Shutes & Cans. Carpenter mending S.B. and Cooper making some Kegs for men. The Sails, Middle & latter part a good breeze from about E. Capt. returned on board and we shortened sail to keep with the S.B. This morning setting up Bunt, B. Douglas.

Dec. 4th

I think my old way is the sandest. So Wednesday the Trades from about E. busy setting up rigging and stowing boats and is finished. One man sick besides the one sick who was left. Lost the South in sight and close to Capt. Stillman and her and their mate Mr. Taylor with us a strong breeze from ESE. Capt. returned and we made the port of our way having passed company. The Main Topmast Tree ported and I suppose the Old Blacksmith will give us another of his good work. Thursday

Dec. 5th

The Trades still good and strong. At our old work of the Boats and mending the Main Topmast sail Nothing in sight. I am rather pushed for sailor men in my water having only one besides Mr. Barber. Lat. 15.36. Long 160.00. Thursday

Dec. 10.

For the past 18 hours the wind has been light and mostly from the S.E. The ship hardly being far enough to the eastward to see Jarvis Is. so I suppose we shall have to beat up to it. We have been busy mending sails and boats and odd jobs in the rigging. We have two men laid up and one that has just returned to duty so we are starting fair. Tomorrow my boat is coming in to be repaired and fitted up.

Dec 13

Sunday December 13th 1861.

This morning at 9 AM we raised Jarvis Is. having been looking for it for two days during the day and laying aback nights. The Thos. Dickson was here before us and Capt Stewart is now on board of us having again. We are running S.W. from thence. We got some old junk and Plank and some few other things that we wanted. Our time this week has been spent in the usual routine. We now stand masthead at all and are looking for sperm whales right sharp. My boat is mended up and is now waiting for paint before going on the cranes. We have the S.B.B. davits out and will have five boat oars in a day or so.

Saturday.

Dec 21st

We have been gamming with the Thos. Dickson nearly every day this week that is nights and we run off about five miles apart during the day. This afternoon we saw the I.D. haul on a weed and make a couple of short tacks and immediately headed for her and soon raised whales breaching. The I.D. hoisted her ensign for mating and we did the same. But we did not get the boats down the whales were going so quick to windward. Left 7:03 P.M. Leaning 16 W.W.

Sunday.

Dec 22

We beat to windward all night but saw nothing at six AM we kept off W. and at 2 PM raised whales on the lee bow about a mile off we lowered the boats but the next rising the whales were to windward and at six PM we came on board having been so near when we lowered a saving of time. The weather was rather bad and it was very rough indeed.

Sunday December 29th 1861.

Dec 29.

We have made quite an alteration in the Moller having sent down all the yards at the Mizen and made a Bark of her with a Jiff Topsail and Mizen Topmast & Staysail. I suppose it will be much handier but it certainly detracts from the looks of the ship and in my opinion hurts her sailing especially in light weather. We have seen nothing except a few Fairbacks and Grampuses. We lie aback right now by and cruise under easy sail in the day. The wind has been quite fresh and it has thus far been the coldest I ever saw it on the Line.

Monday.

Dec 30.

We carried sail last night and at 10 AM raised Land. Endeavour Is. a mere Coral rock only valuable for its Guano about which they are quarrelling fiercely. The people ashore have 4 Cannon mounted and when they saw us they loaded up thinking that we were coming to take possession. At 12 AM. The Capt. & Mr. May lowered their boats and went in shore to get some fish. At 5 PM they came on board with a fine lot of fresh fish they had caught. We are now running off too clear the Land.

Tuesday.

Dec 31st

This morning made sail and stood to the northward but saw nothing but a few Spinis or Grampuses. We have been busy as usual working in the rigging & have near all the real necessary work done in my part of the ship but now it is go ahead with the fancy arrangements a good deal of which I think had better be left undone. It is my middle watch tonight so I shall have to watch the Old year out and the New in. I hope this ^{will be} last one I shall have to watch out but here it is uncertain what I shall find when I get home to do so I won't anticipate.

Wednesday, January 7th 1862.

Jan. 7th

We have been running to the westward all day but saw nothing I hope this between season cruise will soon be done with for I can see that I don't suit Capt. Charles B. F. for no other reason as I see except that I don't do work enough. I never was famed for any extraordinary zeal to work but I try to keep my watch & work ^{during their watch} till 4 P.M. when I think it is time to clear the Deck. He says nothing out of the way but I think I can read him well enough to see something is the matter and it cannot possibly be anything else. Lat 12° 0' S.

Thursday,

Jan 8th

This season I have been troubled very much with my old ~~de~~ complaint (C) Constitutional weakness that I have scarcely written any thing since leaving port. Last Saturday we lowered for Blackfish but did not get any they were galled by the ship. On Sunday we made land and went ashore and caught 2 Turtles and some fish.

The Capt. & Mr. Glover have strapped boats. I ~~think~~ think the Capt. had not used me right in regard to the boats. I think I have the poorest boat in the ship for sailing or pulling but if she is the poorest in taking oil I will make the rest a present of my share. I am bound to have my share of the oil and a little more if possible.

Sunday

Jan. 12.

The Trades have been lighter than usual but still a strong breeze. I never saw the Trades so strong here on the line for so long a length of time. We are and have been cruising in this one place this week back and have not seen anything except yesterday we spoke the Sho. Dick. She is transformed into a bark as well as ourselves. I think we do not sail as well as before the Alteration. Lat 30:00 S. Long. 175:39 W.

Thursday January 16th 1862

Jan. 16

Nothing of any account has occurred till this afternoon when we raised Blackfish and I got one a little thing about as big as a porpoise. we have been running before the wind for two days and will be at Baker's Island this week that is if we can find it for we are generally out of our reckoning some 30 or 40 miles.

Saturday.

Jan 18

We made the land last night at sundown, and laid off again till daylight when the Capt. and I went in shore we had some letters for the shore folks and also Capt. Kiltner wrote some for home, I did not write as it is very uncertain when they will reach home if they ever do. We put the letters all in a barrel and lashed them on one of the Boats as the Surf was running so high we could not land. We were to have two Boats from here but could not get them off. We kept off S. after leaving the Island. I think that the Island is not laid down correctly. The Lat. is $73^{\circ} N.$ and Long. $175^{\circ} 55' W.$

Sunday.

Jan. 21st

We have been running off every day and last night we kept running though we have not carried much sail as yet. I suppose we are bound for Ascension as soon as we can conveniently get there. The Capt. was telling me his intentions for the season's work in Gulf. From information obtained from a Russian he thinks that the west arm of the Gulf is clear of ice early in the season and that the manes are there and if we can get in there alone that we can get some oil at least a thousand bbls. I am of opinion that we shall find star water but whether the whales are there remains to be proved.

Thursday January 23rd 1862

Jan. 23.

We have no Wednesday this week as we are now in east Long. having crossed the meridian of 180 yesterday. We run last night under all sail and this morning we raised Hope Is. at 11 AM. at 12 we had some five or six canoes alongside. We did not stop Long as they had nothing to trade except Rab. our course W by S Lat 2:38 N Long. 177 40 W. E.

Sundays

Jan. 26th

We have been running to the Westward all last week today our course is N by E. We saw several Finbacks during the day and at 4 P.M. raised Spunk Hales as we called them. We lowered and soon I was close to one when it proved to be a Finback. We soon found they were all of the same breed and returned on board. Keeping on our course Lat 22 N Long.

Thursday

Jan 30th

I am Twenty Four years old today if all accounts are true. And here I am laying off and on the Hills Is. waiting till morning to go on shore and get some Hys & Ducks and We have the Trades strong and have not seen anything for several days except an occasional Fin Back. The S. Boston was here a week ago and is now in Ascension I suppose.

Friday

Jan 31st

I slept as well as usual but spent my watch on deck thinking of the folks at home and wondering what they were doing on my birthday and wishing I could be with them if it was only to say How do you do. We went in shore with three boats and brought off several thousand Coconuts, Eight Hys, and Fifty Ducks and at sunset kept off for Ascension Island about 80 miles.

Sunday February 2nd. 1862.

Feb. 2nd

I am writing now in one of the Stairs of Ascension. we came in here yesterday morning and found the South Boston here all well on board. Mrs. Randolph looked better than I have seen her look since she left home. The children are both bright and healthy. I went ashore on Liberty yesterday and truly it is a great country. I started from the ship in a canoe and after paddling about two hours up a river, just wide enough to allow the canoe to pass, we landed and walked I thought ten miles over what I took to be sharp stones set edgeways to allow a little mud to collect between them, till we came to a house where I got a canoe and laid down to sleep till night. I was so tired I could not go any further. I think I shall not go on Liberty any more it is so much like work.

Thursday.

Feb. 4th

We are now beating up from Guam to Japan. I believe having since I dated my last days work. Laid in Ascension till Saturday the 8th getting wood & water and giving Liberty. But finding that several of the men were going to run away we took the Anchor and left for Japan, with one side of the ship painted. We arrived in Japan and anchored there Feb. 24th finding the Bark Tunny Isabella, Ships Isaac Howland, Navy & Florida Humphreys etc. We remained there till I believe Feb. 26th. We painted the ship inside and out and had several dinner parties on board during the time. We then left for Guam and laid off and on three days and are now on our way back to Japan. To give Mrs. Randolph a present that the Capt. bought for her we have a Deer, 2 dogs, about 20 Ducks, Ten Hens, 2 Rabbits and a Cat on board so you may suppose we are well littered up about the Decks.

Friday March 7th 1812.

Feb. 4.

At daylight we raised land and about 8 o'clock the Capt. went on board of the South Boston at daybreak. The Boat came off soon with Mr. Taylor and reported that Mr. Horie the 2nd was drowned three days ago, by getting his boat stove and the Line took him down. Two days ago they had half their crew poisoned by eating some fish they caught. They all recovered. At 4 P.M. Capt. Stillman came on board and we pointed North on the wind. The Capt. gave me dear letters, Randolph.

Saturday.

Feb. 8

The weather has grown quite cool the Trades being strong and well to the northward. I had some difficulty with two of the men and ^{one of them} they complained to the Capt. and he did not like it as he thought I should have sent the man aft to him. But I think I was right and would do the same again.

Sunday.

Feb. 9.

There is a very heavy swell from about N. and the Ship pitches into it very heavy we have Double reefed in and are not making much headway. Today the Capt. took occasion to have some work that I had done, altered by the Mate and was quite happy. So I thought well he is Capt. I suppose. I think he and I want hitch all this season. One of the men came aft to the Capt. with a complaint. He and another had been fighting. So the Capt. made the pair of them fast by their left hands and gave each a piece of Rattin stuff and told them to go in, but they did not want to go. So The Capt. gave each about six or eight cuts across the back, which might possibly have killed a Mosquito but nothing more. It was a regular farce. Capt. tried to do something but I did not think he succeeded very well.

Sunday, March 10th 1862.

Feb. 10.

This morning one of the men came up with a complaint that I struck him or something to that effect. The Capt. asked me what was the matter, and I told him that I had work to do during the night and I found this man and another below and when I asked him what he was doing below, he denied being there when I knew he was below. So I knocked him down as I had told the men not to go below their watch on deck. I had talked to them till talking was no use. The Capt. said he wanted the men to stand their watch and obey my orders but he thought I could find some other means of doing it without striking the men. We had some talk and I told him that as long as I headed a watch that the men should obey my orders, by fair means if they would but that I would knock the first man that refused if it cost me my seasons work. The men all heard me and if I live they will remember it. I never should have had any trouble, but Mr. Steely allows the men to do just as they please, and they have got so now that they stand four or five calls from him, and they would like to do the same with me but they won't get awhile if I know myself. Mr. Steely throws everything onto me that he possibly can and then I suspect he complains to the Capt. that I encroach on him. I judge so from what the Capt. said and from what Mr. Steely did in that line last season. Anyway if I get to Hakodadi I shall leave the ship if I can get my discharge peaceably. If we get it rough to pay my bills I shall leave for certain, it won't take a great while to catch that amount. Mr. Steely acts as though what little sense he had was leaving him fast.

Friday March 24th 1862.

Feb 21.

We are now off Harbor Is. one of the Is. forming the Yellow Sea. The weather was thick last night and we laid off and on and today it has rained all day till 4 P.M. when it cleared up some and the land appeared. The wind which had been fair till 4 P.M. is now Dead ahead. I have not had any more complaints entered against me but I still think that I shall leave the first port.

Sunday

Feb. 30.

This morning at eight o'clock we hauled a back and buried a Kama ka named Bob. He had been sick for some time. The wind which has been dead ahead for three or four days hauled a fair this morning, and if it holds we will be in the Japan Sea by 12 tomorrow. One sail in sight this morning to the SE. We came in to the Yellow Sea the 26th. I believe and next day we spoke the J.B. and gave order away. They were all well and in much better spirits than when they left Japan. Lat 32° 41' N. Long. 127° 31' E.

Monday

Feb. 31.

Last night we hauled a back about 12. Thinking we were in the St. of Corea; but at daylight found ourselves through them and in the Japan Sea close to a small Is. land in the mouth of the St. At noon we raised Horned Is. and at 6 P.M. passed close to them. At sunset took in the light sails and hauled a back the Wind One South. And I suppose that tomorrow we shall see a light. What a

Tuesday April 1st 1862.

April 1st

A fine day. At daylight the Hornet to bore S. The wind cut SE and a good breeze but steered N. by E. At 12 o'clock when we hauled up E. having cruised this ground all over, and are now bound for the place where this ship saw plenty of whales last season. Lat. 38.03 N.

Wednesday.

April 2

This morning I had another ground with the Capt. He said he did not care whether we saw a Right Whale or not. When I told him if he did not care to see them I did not care to catch them and at that he got high. Obviously he is fierce to get after the Boatheads and with the other officers don't want to see a R.W. He clearly tried to put me off with a few airs but found that he did not frighten me in any very alarming degree. It is very evident (at least) that he and I will not agree as he is as jealous of me and the other officers as he ever will be accusing us of always taking the Capt. part against him and got quite excited over it. He certainly is the first man that ever charged me with taking any man's part as our most subject. I have an opinion of my own and adhere to it. Well I am well convinced it is wrong. And one opinion I have formed is that the sooner he and I part company the better for both of us.

Thursday.

April 3rd

This has been a fine day but no whales seen. This forenoon we had quite a strong breeze from the SE with some rain, but it has been a very good day for whaling. This morning I got my pay for exciting the Capt. He as he kindly informed me my rigging was not set up taught enough. And that the Main T. was to be hauled forward; when it was only a few days ago he had the Fore and Aft stay slack as the mast went forward when the Sail forward were set. He said I could do it when I got in. He had the fore in sail to night being right on the ground.

Friday April 4th 1862.

April 4.

The wind shifted to SW during the night and before dawn we were under Doubletop, with courses furled. After dinner we made sail again but in an hour after we had to close Reef and haul down. The wind acts very queer. We saw a whil-wind pass close to the ship but we were just out of it. It was whirling round in pretty quick time. Lat 39° 40' N. Long 73° 33' E. or 73° 31' 35" E. Long.

April 5

Saturday

After a short time this afternoon the weather was very moderate but the rest of the time it blew pretty strong. The wind is out to now. The Falk now is about going into the Ice and whale around Jones Pt. It is hard telling where we shall go. Nothing in sight today.

Sunday

April 6th

Yesterday we saw some Hump backs, and this afternoon we raised a Right Whale and lowered for him but after lowering the whale was not seen either by the boats or from the ship where he went to is a mystery as it was clear and very smooth. We Boat-tailed for a while in which I was most awfully beaten. My Boat being very dull especially on the wind.

Wednesday

April 9th

For the past two days we have been waiting for a wind to go into the Port but did not get it till about Ten this morning when the wind came out about SW our course etc. At about one we hauled aback for a Humpback which the Capt. was going to Bomb for a little excitement when we raised ^{two} Right Whales and lowered for them and chased them till dark they were very shy and were looking for land I think by the way they acted. I was pretty handy to them once or twice but they know too much for me. Lat 40° 40' N. Long 73° 46' E.

Thursday April 11th 1862.

At daylight this morning we raised the Land at the entrance of the St of Matenag and at 4 P.M. dropped our anchor in the harbor of the Koda. where we found a fleet of junkets. The Russian Steamers are Brig and a Bark, belonging to the Japanese formerly American. There is no news that I have heard except that the Oldenberg Bark German, Lubbock was shot a few days ago about twenty miles from here on the W.E. side of Matenag St. The crew are mostly Russians the officers Americans. Shepped in the water. She was a retail ship. It is very cold here and the ~~the~~ land is nearly covered with snow the season being rather backward. This is a splendid harbor being completely Landlocked and I believe Sand Bottom in from 4 to 11 fathoms.

Friday

April 11.

To day we have been hunting out and dredging. Coals ashore to fill with water, shot received some Lumber on board and plenty of Eggs and Codfish. So I expect we shall live high.

Tomorrow I expect we shall live high. One of the men is on deck making some noise and I forgot that I was down as I thought I should have to go up and quit him for the crew of that species are ashore and I am alone. Tomorrow I mean to have a talk with the Capt. about my discharge.

Saturday

April 12

We have not had any work to do till near night when we had part of a rainy water. 13 Casks Towed off and hoisted in and then I went ashore. Along in the middle of the day I went ashore and had some talk with Capt. Kellner. I asked for my discharge as he had appeared not to be satisfied with me, and that I was not satisfied to sail from the Port in the Ship as I did not think that I should go the season without having trouble with the Mate or himself. He allowed that he was satisfied with me and further more he would not discharge me on any consideration and that he had shipped another Boatswain, Mr. Allen to cover in his boat and

Sunday April R. 1862

April 12 That thereby my chance was so much better. I tried all I could to get some plan by which he would let me have my discharge but he would not give me any other answer than that I had shipped in the ship for the voyage and must go as far as Honolulu anyway, and that he was satisfied with what I had done and expected to be with what I should do. So that I have no other alternative but go in the ship or run away and I think I must do that.

Monday

April 13

This morning it was raining some little but not much wind, we hoisted in a raft we had alongside taking 28 casks of water on deck and then broke out the Port side of the After Hatch to stow the ground with fresh water. Just as we had everything on deck and only three casks of water run below, a very severe squall struck the ship and heeling her over the water started and one cask fell on one of the men and killed him instantly. He was completely crushed and did not even make a groan. A small boy him tomorrow expect. Previous to this it had been blowing so we had both anchors down and had dragged half way across the harbor. I never saw it blow so hard in my life and the tide would set the ship in the full broadside to it and having ^{such} a large deck load she rolled almost to her beams ends. A full cast of water went over the top of the Mast and it was a clear jump. I sung out for the men to stow the water but they were all galled and actually actually wanted me to strike the pulicasts of water down the hatchway when at the same time the casks were sliding at every roll endangering a man's life or limbs. I told him if he wanted it struck below to do it but that I thought one man killed ought to be enough and that I thought more of my neck than to risk it handling full casks of water just then. So we started the water out of 28 we have 6 casks left. The men were all scared and the Officers and Boatswains had to start every cask themselves. As soon as the water was off deck she righted up and laid easy.

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Tuesday April 15th 1862.

April 15.

The breeze pretty strong today but in the morning we managed to send Hensley in for water. At ten o'clock we took the coffin ashore and buried him in the American burial place. We had to buy the ground he was buried in. It cost about \$50.

The coffin was in good shape and I hope that we shall have no more deaths as the Kanakas are all scarce now.

Saturday

April 26

We have been waiting now a whole week for the Japanese to make a Windlass beam having broke ours trying to take the big Anchor last week. The Japanese have spoiled about six or seven and are now measuring being done than when they commenced. On Monday we shall have a beam from the S. Boston and leave ours for her to bring up when she comes as she will not be ready for sea for some time yet. We have quite a fleet of ships here now the Planter, Harango, Isaac Howland, Milton, Milo and Massachusetts having all come in last week and the S. Boston last Thursday. We are all ready and should have been at sea if our windlapps had not broken. We have shipped Mr. Allen the third mate of the German as fifth mate and B. Kanakas making us 43 men all told quite a large crew especially in this ship.

Monday.

April 28.

We have the blacksmith of the German Shipper and at work on the windlapp and it will be done tomorrow so Mr. Stegley says. We still have the same number of men as we transferred one Kanaka to the S. Boston. The Windlapp beam of the S.B. would not work and the Japanese gave up and said they could not make one. We should have had this blacksmith before but he was at work on board of a schooner and we could not get him.

Tuesday

April 29

This morning at 11 A.M. we took our anchor and went down just off the Harbor in the P.B. Having a very calm day.

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May 4th
Sunday April 21st 1862.

May 4

We took the sun today and found we had made just a degree to the northward of Hookland and a little to the eastward. The wind has been barely enough to give us storage way and shifting about every half-hour. Lat 42° 31'.

Monday.

May 5

This morning at day light a breeze sprang up from S.E. and at 10 am was from the S. and blowing a good stiff breeze, it stiffened and by tomorrow night I think we will be off the St. Lat. 43° 47' Long. 148° 46' E.

Tuesday

May 6

I suppose we are in the Chukchee sea but am not certain as it is snowing hard and we have not seen the land. We got a good latitude at noon which put us in 46° 24' N. and since we have run a good eight miles an hour. The wind was out S. till 4 P.M. when it hauled S.W. and acts now as though it was going into the snows. If it does I think the weather will clear off.

Wednesday

May 7

The wind is from about N. and a good breeze heading to the northward. We are in the Sea I suppose but we have not seen any land and today the sun has not shown itself. This afternoon we put out our cutting-stage in a heavy fog and snow storm. Tonight the wind is dying away and I think we shall have a shift.

Thursday

May 10

We have not seen any ice as yet and our latitude is 53 or more. I think that it is either a very open season or else the ice has not broken up yet. This is the coldest day we have had this season. We are all ready for whaling the fifth boat is out and hooked up. The wind is veering on from the N.E. with a prospect of a gale.

Thursday May 13th 1862.

May 13

From our anchorage yesterday and the course stood we should have been about 30 miles from the coast. But at daylight we found ourselves about 40 miles at the mouth of Humboldt Bay and our fair wind having us out. At 10 A.M. we took the breeze from about N.W. heading 1st and at 2 P.M. raised beating ice and beat along the edge of it till dark when we worked out of it. Capt. Wilson tried to make me believe I made a mistake in my latitude yesterday. I made it $3^{\circ} 12'$ and today it is $3^{\circ} 34'$ giving us 22 miles of latitude on a N.E. & E. course on one tack and it was the other and a good part of the time a light S.W. by W. breeze.

Friday

May 14th

This morning at 3 A.M. we worked through the ice we entered yesterday and at 4 A.M. covered our boats about ten miles north of Sail Rock. We ran down close in shore to the leeward of Sail Rock the ship off shore and at 10 A.M. we came on board having seen no whales but plenty of ice to the southward but not very heavy. As soon as we came on board we hauled on our wind and for 29 A.M. the wind from about N.E. by E. blowing a strong breeze. Lat. $60^{\circ} 30' N$.

Saturday

May 15th

We met with rather an untoward event this morning at 11 A.M. the Starboard watch (on deck) carried away the S.B. Boat and completely wrecked her, losing the crew. Sail our Davitt and ruined the boat for whaling but the Capt. is having her stern cut off and boarded up so as to be able to pick a man up in case one falls overboard when the boat is all gone, for now we have no spare boat. The wind still holds from the N.E. and has been blowing ^{moderate} gale since last night. We are now about 50 miles from the East of the Cape bearing E by N from us.

Friday May 23rd 1862.

May 23.

We are now lying in Sail Rock Bay having been since last Saturday up to the head of the W. Arm and down here where we anchored three days ago; and have not seen anything till this afternoon the boats went inshore and saw one Bowhead three killings. While I am writing they are launching the S.B.C. Having got and made a Davitt. Last night and all day yesterday it snowed and blew pretty hard from the N.E. During the night we snatched some of the logs on the Wharf and tore some of the Dash Rail off. Our Whirls will bother us some this season as we shall have to ride by our cutting falls in case it blows any.

Sunday.

May 25th

We dropped anchor at night in a small bay called Saffy Harbor and having sent two boats up the Gulf have three on board. The wind is from W. and is blowing strong breeze with every indication of a Gale. The coast looks cold and bleak but well adapted for whales.

Thursday.

May 29th

This has been the first good day since the 23rd it having blown a heavy gale so heavy we sent down the fore and main top gallant yards and had both anchored down. On the 27th we saw a whale from the ship going inshore and the 28th we saw several but did not lower it blew so hard. This morning we lowered three boats and Mr. Carlin and myself went up the coast some ten miles and when coming back as we rounded the point I raised a whale and the third rising took him head and head and struck him he run very fast but I finished him the first lance I started. We commenced towing for the ship about 5 miles off. Mr. Allen said he had been among whales all day in the bay. I sent Mr. Allen and Mr. Carlin off after some whales which appeared still. Soon after I saw Mr. Mely and Glover go alongside and then came to windward toward the ship and ^{once} cutting we saw plenty of whales while cutting but did not get any.

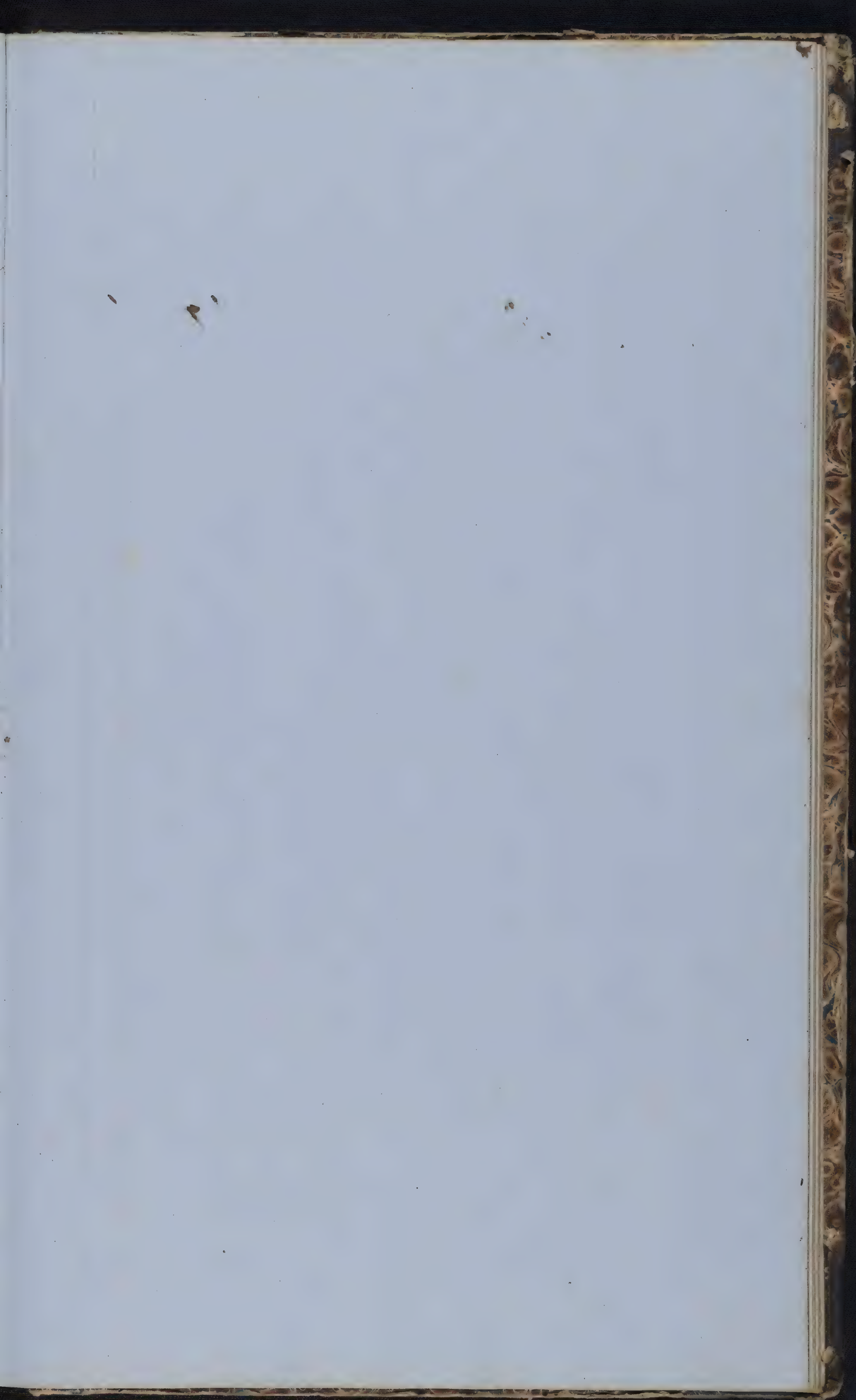
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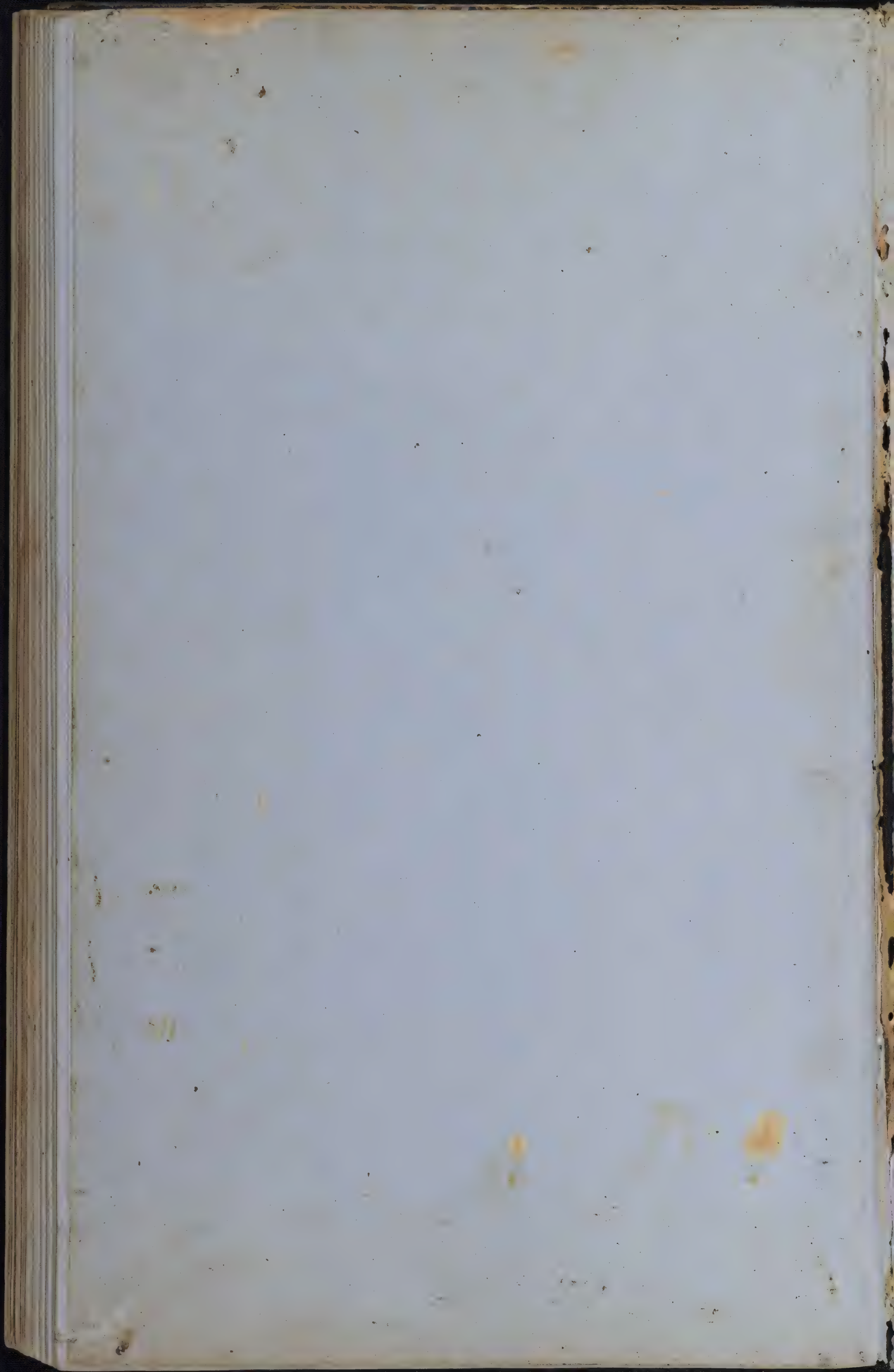
May 31.

The two boats that went up

the Gulf had rather a hard time as they had no shelter for two days from the snow and rain.

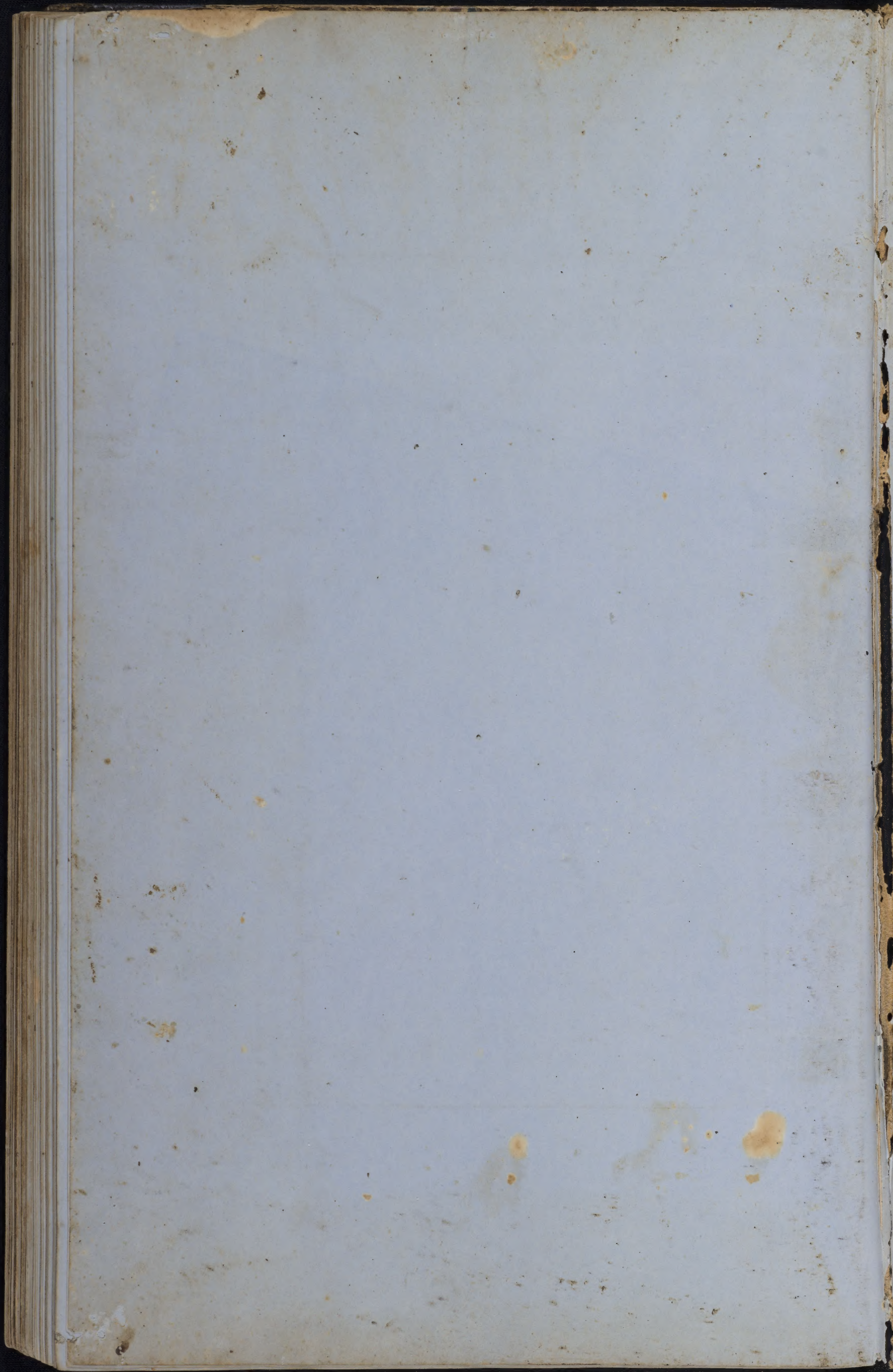
This morning we lowered and went right in shore and Mr. Keely saw struck a whale and out him the same day we saw but a few whales today and those were ^{down} ~~run~~ the Gulf.

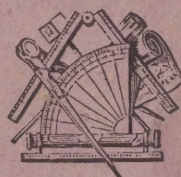




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